

FULL EXTENT OF IROQUOIS FIRE

May Never Be Known.

Coroner Appeals For Assistance of Chicago's Citizens

To Assist Him In the Work

Of Compiling, as Completely as Possible, the List of Dead, Injured and Missing--Nearly Two Hundred Bodies Are Still at the Morgues Unidentified.

Chicago, Jan. 1.—Pitiful investigation of the Iroquois fire horror today divided attention with the burial of the dead. The removal of bodies from the public morgues to private undertaking establishments developed a fresh element of uncertainty in computing totals of dead and missing. The count of actual corpses most generally agreed upon was 522 including 393 identified and 129 unidentified. Lists of missing vary greatly, one authority putting the total at 312. Injured are figured at 104. More arrests of persons who may be held responsible, were said today to be not improbable. It is said several of the stage employees were preparing to leave the city.

Satisfied With Horror.
Except among relatives and friends of the dead, injured and missing, the people here were today to a large extent apparently satisfied with details of the horror. To such an extent was this evident that the Evening Press decided to follow the usual holiday custom and abstain from publication.

Coroner Issues Appeal.
Coroner Traeger today issued an appeal to the public to assist him in all fire details that may have escaped the records.

"It has come to my notice," said Coroner Traeger, "that bodies of some persons were removed from the temporary morgues and other stations opened by merchants in the vicinity of the theatre after the fire without any records having been given the police."

"In the hurry and confusion, persons who could identify remains were allowed to take them to their homes without question. I understand that this was done in a few instances. I have also learned that some of the injured were taken to private residences and hospitals without the making of any record and it is reported to me that some have since died."

"I ask that any citizen knowing of any such occurrence report the matter to my office at once."

The City Press Association today discontinued all attempts to keep track of the number of dead bodies at the morgues, the fact being palpable that the effort was more productive of error than genuine information owing to the confusion incident to the removal of the bodies and the dazed condition of those in charge as the result of overwork.

Instead of records at the morgues, the issue of burial permits at the coroner's office was submitted as a less unsatisfactory method of keeping the death account. The crowds of searchers for relatives and friends continued at the morgues today. While the number of persons pressing for tidings of identification showed material diminution, the anxiety and weariness was intensified. The constant presence of the black wagons of undertakers were conspicuous additions today to the many scattered neighborhoods where the morgues are located. A mournful variation was the occasional appearance of bands playing dirges as funerals slowly passed towards hospitals, stations and cemeteries.

The majority of the striking drivers have returned to work, and it is not likely that any funerals will be interfered with.

"We ordered them back, wages or no wages, to help their city out of the great calamity that has befallen it," said President Haggas, of the union. After ten days the strike will be resumed, where it left off. Strike benefits are being paid today, and will be paid just the same."

"The men are glad of the chance to come back," said President Edgerton of the Livery Men and Undertakers' Association. They will be taken back as soon as possible. They will have to work, and checkers and cards in the drivers' rooms will no longer be

the main occupation of their working hours. When a man is ordered to clean up he will do it, and he cannot plead the union as an excuse."

The funerals during the next two days will tax the capacity of the liverymen and undertakers to the utmost. There will be time for the services of all, and some people doubt whether the strike will be resumed. At the coroner's office today burial permits soon reached into the hundreds. Preparations have been made for the issuance of all that may be asked for and it is anticipated that tomorrow or Sunday will be particularly characterized by funerals.

Electrician Arrested.
Chicago, Jan. 1.—Archibald Bernard, chief electrician of the Iroquois theatre was taken into custody by the police today and will be held pending an inquiry into the cause of the disaster.

After being closely questioned for two hours by the police, Bernard was formally charged with manslaughter.

MEMBERS
Of Blue Beard Company Held in Heavy Bond.

Today, the hearing of the employees of the Iroquois theatre and members of the "Blue Beard" company who were arrested last night, was set for Saturday morning, the charge being manslaughter. Bonds were placed at \$5,000 in each case.

The representatives of Klaw and Erlanger represented to the court that many of the theatrical people were destitute and lacking. They said that these would have to go to their homes in New York and other cities. The court made no comment except to intimate that the matter was in the hands of counsel and the police.

MANAGER
Of Theatre Summoned Before Chief of Police for Conference.

Chicago, Jan. 1.—Chief of Police O'Neil today sent detectives to summon Manager Will J. Davis of the Iroquois theatre to police headquarters.

"I want to question him," Chief O'Neil said when asked the reason for the summons.

"I am not arresting him. If I thought that Managers Will J. Davis or Harry L. Power would leave Chicago, I would lock them up immediately, but they will remain. Both are citizens of Chicago, men of good reputation and men with business interests. I am only summoning Mr. Davis now to ask him about the fire in a general way, and to get his guarantee that members of the 'Moonlight Double Ocotette' will not leave Chicago before the inquest. Otherwise it may be necessary to take the entire company into custody."

Although members of the "Blue Beard" company who had been questioned by the police were allowed to return to hotels, detectives were sent also. The detectives were ordered to make headquarters at the hotels and watch the members of the company to see that none leave.

CORONER
Will Concentrate Unidentified Dead Into One Morgue.

Coroner Traeger today bent efforts towards the carrying out of a plan to have all of the unidentified dead placed in one building centrally located. This would eliminate the necessity of friends and relatives going from morgue to morgue. He said that if the use of some building in the town district could not be obtained that all unidentified bodies would probably be removed to the county morgue.

The following dead were identified

at the morgues today:

Henry, Otto, Battle Creek, Mich.
Brudette, Kate Hamilton.
Donahue, Mrs. Mary.
Dott, Mrs. W. A.
Kwanleski, John.
Ludwig, Miss Eugenie.
Palmer, Mrs. Wm.
Bowman, Grace.
Coogan, Mrs. M.
Dawson, Grace.
Holt, Amy, 7 years old.
Mohr, H. B.
Simpson, Ada.
Schneider, Mrs. James.
Wernick, Mrs. Mary.
Williams, Howard.

France Expresses Sorrow.

Washington, Jan. 1.—The French ambassador has received a cablegram from President Loubet asking him to express to President Roosevelt, his sorrow over the Chicago disaster. This the ambassador has done.

Chorus Girl Fainted.

Five chorus girls, Daisy Beate, Edith Williams, Ethel Wynne, Annie Bryant and Miss Richardson, were today closely questioned by the chief of police. They were exceedingly nervous, and twice Miss Williams, who comes from New York, fainted.

Other members of the chorus wanted by the chief, could not be located.

112 Unidentified.

Chicago, Jan. 1.—A record of the bodies at the various morgues today showed a total of 112 unidentified bodies.

William Cables Cordolence.

Berlin, Jan. 1.—Emperor William informed Ambassador Tower today, at the time the ambassador was offering his New Year's congratulations, that he had telegraphed to President Roosevelt his sorrow over the Chicago disaster. Both the emperor and empress supplemented the cabled condolences by personal expressions to the ambassador.

More Sympathy.

London, Jan. 1.—Further messages of sympathy in regard to the Chicago disaster have reached the U. S. embassy here. They include communications from the Anglo-Saxon society, the Australia Chamber of Commerce and Mayors of Cardiff and Burnley.

ACTRESS' WIFE.

Of Manager Davis Interviewed By a Philadelphia Reporter.

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 1.—Jesse Bartlett Davis, wife of Will Davis, owner and manager of the Iroquois theatre, Chicago, in speaking of the terrible calamity, said: "It is all the fault of the public that such things occur. In these swift days, the public is not satisfied with good, quiet shows. They must have lots of excitement, color and light, with the result that every actor takes his life in his hands, when he goes before the footlights."

"In that particular scene when the awful catastrophe occurred, there were 400 persons upon the stage. The wonder is that any of them escaped. I do not understand how the asbestos curtain failed to work. Mr. Davis drilled his men every day in the use of the apparatus, and in the dripping of the curtains. Never was there any hitch."

Francis Wilson, with whom Mrs. Davis is playing in "Terminio" said: "It is my opinion that there should not be a step in a theatre. Everything should be on a gradual incline. If theatre goers could have no fear of unexpected steps, I am satisfied the danger of a stampede would be lessened."

Ohio's Sympathy.
Columbus, O., Jan. 1.—Gov. Nash sent today the following telegram of condolence to Mayor Carter Harrison: "The people of Ohio lovingly sympathize with the people of Chicago, in this, the saddest New Year's day that they have had in all history."
(Signed) GEO. K. NASH.

MANAGER

Of the Iroquois Theatre Released by Chief of Police.

Chicago, Jan. 1.—Mr. Davis appeared at the office of the chief of police, accompanied by his business partner, Mr. Harry Powers. The two managers talked for some time with Chief O'Neil who finally dismissed them, saying that he, himself, would be responsible for their appearance whenever they may be wanted.

RELATIONS SEVERED.

New York, Jan. 1.—Business relations between the U. S. Steel Corporation and the P. & G. Coal Company the soft coal combination of western Pennsylvania, terminated last night, according to the Herald, with the expiration of a contract which has been in force for more than a year between the two companies. Conferences have been held between the representatives of the subsidiary companies of the U. S. Steel Corporation and the officials of the Pittsburgh Coal Company with a view to arranging a new contract, but these negotiations, the Herald says, have failed and the National Mining Company, Frick, Coke Company and the U. S. Coke & Coal Co., which controls the Pocahontas properties and the River Mining Company properties controlled by the Steel Corporation will shortly commence taking out coal for the plants of the latter.

Disagreement over the prices is said to have caused the move of the steel men.

LOW

Steps Down and Out of Office

And Cordially

Expresses Best Wishes to Successor.

George McClellan Became Mayor of Greater New York Today.

Ceremonies Attending the Change Were Brief, But Formal, and Thousands of Democrats Attended.

New York, Jan. 1.—George McClellan became mayor of New York city today. He arrived at the city hall accompanied by his secretary, John H. O'Brien, and walking through lines of democrats under an arch of plants and flowers to the mayor's public reception room, where he was greeted by the retiring mayor, the ceremonies were not elaborate, and speeches were brief.

After shaking hands with his successor, Mr. Low said: "Col. McClellan, the hour has come when I am permitted to give the city into your care, in obedience to the will of the people. Any one who has been mayor of New York will always be ready to honor, its chief magistrate. Mr. Mayor, I am glad as one of the great body of citizens to salute you and to wish you well."

In response, Col. McClellan said in part: "At best, I can only fulfill the trust of municipal government, not in the interest of a few, but in the interests of all the people. I believe in party responsibility, but party responsibility exists only as the means of attaining good ends."

"I promise you that there will be no step backward, not even in the smallest department of my administration."

Then Mr. Low retired to his private office and Col. McClellan took his stand behind the table in the public office and handshaking begun. All the democrats in town seemed to be on hand, and long lines, reaching to the city hall steps were formed by the police. It took a long time for the democrats to file by the mayor's desk. After the reception the new heads of the departments were sworn in.

ACQUITTED OF MURDER.

Lebanon, Pa., Jan. 1.—Constable John L. Fisher, has been acquitted of the charge of murdering City Solicitor J. Marshall Funk. Early in July, Funk's body was found hanging from a window ledge in his office. It was at first thought that Funk had committed suicide, but severe contusions of the back of his head led the authorities to suspect murder and Fisher who admitted being in Funk's company a short time before the body was found, was arrested and charged with murder.

NOT A BAD IDEA.

New York, Jan. 1.—Stirred by the Chicago theatre horror the managers of theatres in this city will institute an investigation of all amusement places in order to most thoroughly guard against a similar happening.

SHOVEL WORKS BURNED.

Corry, Pa., Jan. 1.—The Pennsylvania shovel works at this place was destroyed by fire early today. The loss will amount to \$50,000 which is partly covered by insurance.

STRAINING AT THEIR CHAINS

REDUCTION IN WAGES TOOK EFFECT TODAY.

Connellsville, Pa., Jan. 1.—Reductions in wages of coke workers to conform to the cut recently made by the H. C. Frick Co., went into effect today at all the plants of the rainy coke company. W. J. Rainey is the largest independent coke operator in the Connellsburg region and is the last one to follow the Frick Co., in reducing wages.

AWAITING ACTION.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 1.—The strike of cab and carriage drivers for higher pay and other concessions that had been decided for today, has been deferred pending the action of the state board of arbitration which will convene Saturday.

ABANDONED THEIR CRAFT.

French Fishing Schooner Nearly Wrecked by Winter Gales. Hardships Endured.

North Sydney, C. B., Jan. 1.—The captain and crew of 16 men of the French fishing schooner Sappho, reported here today by steamer from New Foundland after having abandoned their craft which had been nearly wrecked by the winter gales. Hardship and suffering were endured by the men in rowing 14 miles to the land, and when near the shore of Red Land, on the east coast of New Foundland, on which they landed, all their clothes were capsize in the surf. No one was lost.

REPUBLICAN OF PROMINENCE.

An Ex-Congressman, and Richest Man in Syracuse, Dead at Advanced Age.

Syracuse, N. Y., Jan. 1.—Former Congressman James Belden died here today, after a short illness.

He was largely interested in New York City, and among his valuable holdings being the Manhattan hotel. Mr. Belden was Syracuse's richest citizen, his wealth being estimated at more than \$100,000. He built the first street railway in Detroit, and built steam railroads in various parts of the country.

He was a republican and was elected to congress in 1887, and served until 1895, when he retired. In 1897 he was elected on an independent ticket. He was mayor two terms.

TRAINS HELD UP DURING 1903.

Owing to Exercise of Precautions There Was a Diminutive in Number.

Cincinnati, O., Jan. 1.—The Express Gazette in its January issue gives the following summary of train and stage robberies committed in the United States during 1903 together with the record for the past 14 years. The total number of trains held up in 14 years is 341; total number of people killed 99; and the number of people injured 109. The number of trains held up in 1903 was 13 as compared with 221 in 1902. The number of stage robberies in 1903 was six, while that of 1902 was 7.

This year's record shows that no passengers or trainmen were killed by robbers, but there were six wounded. In 1902 one was killed and three wounded. One robber was killed in 1903 as compared with three killed last year.

CONSTABLE WAS FATALLY

Shot by Lawyer, Who in Turn Was Killed by a Third Party.

Hamilton, O., Jan. 1.—Constable William H. Morton was today fatally shot by Butzenski, a Polish lawyer. Butzenski was afterwards shot and killed by George Sullivan. Morton went to Butzenski's home to arrest him and when he entered the door the latter shot him through the lung. Morton handed his pistol to George Sullivan who pursued Butzenski and overtaking him shot him dead.

Are the Dogs of War

And a Clash in the Far East May Be Precipitated at Any Time.

Russia Will Not Back Down

And Has Issued an Order Prohibiting Any Publications Concerning the Movements of Troops. Moscow Editors Fear American Intervention.

London, Jan. 1.—Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister here, has been informed from Paris that Russia has decided not to grant the Japanese proposals. This is the first information any one here admits having received about the Russian reply.

The Baron said to a representative of the Associated Press: "If my information from Paris is borne out by the wording of the Russian reply, and if the Japanese government adheres to its present determination, there seems to be small possibility of averting war."

The British foreign office is unable to confirm or deny Baron Hayashi's information. The officials, however, say they are not surprised at the tenor of his advice.

The foreign office is inclined to think that Russia will avoid making a reply of any kind, to the last Japanese note.

ORDER

To Publish Nothing About Movement of Troops Adhered To.

Moscow, Jan. 1.—The government's order to publish nothing in regard to the movements of troops is patriotically observed by every Moscow paper. One editor said to the Associated Press correspondent:

"I know exactly which division is going to the Far East, and know the names of officers who have been requested not to stir out of Moscow in view of the possible receipt of sudden marching orders."

Another editor, impatient for war, and confident of victory, said:

"The Russian army will prove as disastrous to the Japanese as did Mount Pelée to Martinique."

When asked to explain the utter indifference of the Muscovites, he replied: "That is due to loyalty. Wait till the emperor issues a manifesto declaring war, then Russian sentiment will burst forth."

But a manifesto is improbable in the immediate future even if the Japanese occupy Korea."

Both editors expressed concern at the possibility of American intervention. One of them remarked: "The attitude of the United States has become equivocal. We do not like the despatch of American warships. Still the Russian cannot believe that their old friends will give active assistance to Japan."

LANDSDOWNE

Has Given Up All Hopes of Peace Settlement.

London, Jan. 1.—Foreign Secretary Lansdowne has informed one of the foreign ambassadors that he has practically given up all hopes of peace. At the embassies here, the statement made by Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister today, that he had been informed from Paris that Russia had decided not to grant the Japanese proposals, is regarded as being most grave, especially in view of the statement that his information came from Paris and that he permitted such information to become known at this critical stage.

OPTIMISTIC

View Taken in St. Petersburg. War Unpopular in Russia.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 1.—Advises received here from Moscow, the center of Russian business life, confirm previous reports to the effect that outside of military circles, people there are not interested in the difficulties with Japan. Commercially, Moscow has much at stake in the far east. This is regarded as significant, by those who remember the passionate fervor of all classes in the empire, from the czar to the peasant before the Russo-Turkish war.

A well informed resident of Mos-

cow has written to the Associated Press as follows: "It is not an exaggeration to say that war will be unpopular with the Russians."

In some circles at St. Petersburg, the editorial in the Novel Vremes, Dec. 30th is recalled:

"Japan will not put Russia in a position where to yield would appear to be a renunciation of the defense of her vital interests in the far east," is regarded as an indication that the government is feeling its way toward a compromise. It is pointed out that Russia will discuss the matter on the basis of vital interests of both countries only demanding that Japan shall not put Russia in a position where a concession would seem to be an abandonment of her vital interests; that she cease to consider the matter from the view point of the respective strength of the two countries and that therefore, a peaceful solution is still possible.

TAKE YOUR CHOICE.

Berlin, Jan. 1.—The German government has been informed that Russia's reply to Japan is not provocative, and that it is sincerely intended to satisfy Japan. The anxious state of Japanese public opinion is fully recognized here, but Chancellor Von Bismarck and the foreign office does not believe that war is within the probabilities and this view, the Associated Press learns has been communicated to the representatives of the powers in Berlin.

Russia's reply, it is unofficially announced, was sent to Japan yesterday.

GOING TO SCENE.

Gibraltar, Jan. 1.—Two Russian torpedo boat destroyers have arrived here on their way to the far east.

2,000 TROOPS.

Port Said, Jan. 1.—Russian transport with 2,000 troops on board traversed the Suez Canal yesterday bound for Port Arthur.

SIGNIFICANT

Telegrams Exchanged Between Russian and French Ministers.

Paris, Jan. 1.—What is regarded here as a significant exchange of telegrams occurred today between Gen. Kouropatkin, the Russian war minister and Gen. Andre, the French minister of war. The Russian minister telegraphed to General Andre his wishes for the happiness and prosperity of himself and the French army for the New Year. In reply, Gen. Andre referred to the friendship which united the two armies, "which shows itself in all circumstances" and concluded with extending cordial wishes for the prosperity and greatness of the Russian army.

It was immediately discussed and there was a good deal of speculation as to how hostilities between Russia and Japan would affect the United States.

The attitude of the government would of course be one of neutrality, but there is always danger in case of war that one of the combatants unwarranted interference with the rights of neutral commerce or by ill treatment of neutral citizens may require stern admonition and perhaps the exhibition of force.

MANY INDICTMENTS.

Milwaukee, Wis., Jan. 1.—The grand jury which is investigating alleged corruption in Milwaukee city and county governments today returned indictments against the following: Fred Heiden, Jr., former inspector house of correction; two indictments. Former Alderman, Chas. J. Jungman. Former Alderman, Chas. Cooke. Alderman Geo. Meredith. Alderman Zimmerman. Alderman V. Jones. Supervisor Albert C. Bock. Bench warrants for the arrest of those indicted have been issued.

**Manager Bendure Presided Over the
Community of Interests Which
Augur So Well for This
Year—Several Toasts.**

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If your doctor says this is the best cough medicine you can take, then take it. We are willing to leave it with him.

DIED

On Anniversary of Her Wedding.

Mrs. Eva Tevis

Had Been Married Just One Year,

When Angel of Death Released Her From Intense Suffering.

Watch Meeting Noted—The Mason and Davis Wedding—South Side News Gathered in a Jiffy.

At the home of her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Castle, at 913 south Elizabeth street, occurred the death of Mrs. Eva Tevis, wife of Mr. Eugene Tevis, of Dayton, O., and daughter of Martin and Cora Miller, of this city. Mrs. Tevis came to this city from Dayton a few weeks ago, to visit her relatives and became ill shortly after her arrival. She suffered an illness of three weeks duration, and death was due to an attack of spinal meningitis.

The deceased was aged 18 years, 10 months and 15 days. She was born in New York state, February 16, 1885, and one year ago tonight, became the wife of Mr. Eugene Tevis.

The funeral services will be held at the south main street Presbyterian church at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon and will be conducted by the pastor, Mr. Curry. The remains will be consigned to a final resting place in Woodlawn cemetery.

Mason-Davis.

Last evening Rev. W. J. Hagerman united the lives and hearts of Mr. Harry G. Mason and Miss Sarah Davis at the parsonage. The Masons will make their home in south Lima.

Welcomed the New Year.

Last evening, a jolly crowd of young people gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elvin D. Arnold, on Second street and proceeded to enjoy themselves until the advent of the new year. At ten o'clock the hostess served a delicate, but delicious luncheon. Those in attendance were: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Casika, of Anderson, Ind.; Miss Minnie Arnold, of Ft. Wayne; Mrs. Tinnie Woods, of Dayton; Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Woods, Misses Ada and Daisy Cochran, Gusta McCoy, Ray Nunnemaker and Russell and Ray Roberts, Albert Kennedy and Otto Shinglededer.

Little Newslets.

Mr. Henry Cisco, of Rockford, O., is a guest of his grandsons, Russell and Ray Robbins, of 406 Second street.

The workers of the Christian Missionary Alliance are holding protracted meetings at their gospel tabernacle just south of the bridge.

T. M. Herrett, the venerable father of G. A. Herrett, went to Hillsdale, Mich., yesterday to visit a daughter.

One fourth off the price on all millinery and furs at Van Horn's.

Mrs. Wm. Hodde, of Holly street, is suffering from a severe case of tonsillitis.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Thew went to La Rue this morning, to spend the day with his parents.

Leave your order for walking skirts

TO THE PUBLIC

In general, and our patrons in particular we wish a

HAPPY and Prosperous NEW YEAR.

We trust the treatment accorded our patrons merits a continuance of their favors. If you've never called here, come in and get acquainted. We'll be pleased to see you, buy or not.

Kraft Shoe Co.

713 South Main St.

CLAIMS

Prominent Golden State Men Sold Him

And His Associates a Gold Mine That Was Well Salted.

Salt Brought for Recovery of Hundreds of Thousands of Dollars as Purchase Money and for Operation.

San Francisco, Jan. 1.—Robert J. Anderson, representing eastern people among them Frank S. Lewis, of the Reading Railroad and W. P. and E. V. Douglas, of the Lake Superior Consolidated Co., is suing Jno. F. Davis, of Amador, Cal., and Frank Hall of this city, to recover \$250,000 paid defendants for the Sweepstake mine, near Weaverville and for compensation for expenditures on the property amounting to some hundreds of thousands of dollars. Anderson, the plaintiff, alleges that the mine which he and his associates bought for \$6,000,000 payable in installments of \$125,000 each, of which two have been paid, was "salted."

John F. Davis, one of the defendants has represented Amador and other counties of California, in the state senate, has been a superior judge, and is now road commissioner.

A kidney or bladder trouble can always be cured by using Foley's Kidney Cure in time. Sold by H. F. Vorkamp, corner Main and North streets.

THE STAGE.

The Whitney Opera Co. has scored a most marked success in "When Johnny Comes Marching Home." All critics declare this to be the best American opera's novel "Robin Hood." It is a great novelty in every respect and drew immense audiences, such eminent men as Senator Dewey and ex-Governor Black highly commending it. The latter has seen it several times. Many of the musical numbers have attained a great vogue and are being widely sung and whistled and played by orchestras. An especially attractive number is a song and chorus "Kate, My Southern Rose," sung by one of the officers and introducing a promenade of officers and Southern belles arrayed in the great ermine and hoop skirts worn during the Civil war period. "When Johnny Comes Marching Home" will be at Faurot opera house this afternoon and evening.

The Rose Cecilia Soap Grand Opera Co. is the only grand opera organization in this country having its own full orchestra. Its band is no small part of the really meritorious company. It is under the conductors of Signor Carlo Nicosia, who was for a term of years Mascagni's concert master. He was given carte blanche to select his orchestra and it includes some of the best musicians in the country. Among these is a cellist of international reputation and a few former members of the Boston Symphony Orchestra. Nicosia himself is a musician of the highest order, and the magnificent fashion in which his company has been producing the great works of the repertoire this season, is in no small measure due to his superb conductorship. The Rose Cecilia Soap Co. will be seen at the Faurot opera house, Saturday evening.

David Harum, made famous by Edward Noyes Wescott's widely read book, will be presented at the Faurot opera house on Monday evening. The comedy comes with the éclat of its New York and Boston runs. Upon its first production in New York it ran for sixteen weeks. Those who witness the play will find in it three scenes that are likely to be remembered for many days. One of these is the famous horse trade with Deacon Perkins, the second is a scene showing the Deacon trying to drive the horse during a shower of heavy rain; the third is the scene in Aunt Polly's home on Christmas morning when David tells the story of his boyhood visit to the circus, and of the whipping which followed.

The Little Light Bearers of Trinity church will meet Saturday afternoon, January 2nd at 2 o'clock sharp, with Mrs. Cora Toy, 140½ south Main street, over Myers and John's grocery. Every member is urged to be present and bring a friend. By order of the PRESIDENT.

Athlo-phoros Cures Rheumatism

Sold by all Druggists. Send for Free Book to The Athlophoros Co., New Haven, Conn.

ON THE RANGE.

The Range Country Wants Good Blood—The Pioneer Improver.

The range country cries for blood—good blood—that the ranchmen may some day get through shipping tailings by the train load. It is the business of improved stock breeders to keep their ears open to the cry of these needy ones and see that they get what they want and need. In the work of advancing the herds of the ranges and farms to a higher and more profitable grade the Shorthorn breed has made a wonderful record. It was the pioneer improver to first color the cattle red, broaden their backs and shorten both the horns and legs of the breeding herds of Kansas, Colorado and adjacent territory on the south. Unfortunately, much of this good missionary work is lost to us today by the discontinuance of the careful breeding and the conversion of a majority of these herds into beef, and has to be done over again.

Cow Herds of the West and South. All over the west and south there are now being gathered the nuclei of a thousand cow herds of high and low degree. The progeny of these herds is now shaping and coloring. Here is the opportunity for the Shorthorn mission: to do in a larger way what he has so well done before—make his mark by painting the prairie pastures red and roan. The Shorthorn have in so many contests demonstrated the stuff of which they are made that the stimulating rivalry is welcomed with other beef breeds that have followed these pioneers into the wilderness to help in the work of reclamation. There is still missionary room for them all, and the Shorthorn is more than ever needed. What one of the beef breeds is better qualified to expand the ribs, broaden the hips and shorten the horns and legs of the straight native than the lordly Shorthorn? For the Shorthorn is most potent just where the native is most defective. It breeds for the scales and for the butcher's block.

The Shorthorn Record. In demonstration of this it is only necessary to refer to the records of the American fat stock shows in Chicago during seventeen years where, according to the official reports, the honor of being champion beef steer in each year went eight times to the grade Shorthorn, four times to the pure bred Shorthorn, twice to the cross bred Hereford-Shorthorn, twice to the pure bred Hereford and once to a pure bred Angus. In feeding contests for daily weight and gain the records show that the average gain of three-year-olds of all breeds for thirteen years was 156 pounds; of Shorthorns, 159 pounds.—Denver Field and Farm.

Sugar Beet Medicine.

The beet growers of northern Colorado have taken so much sugar factory medicine that many of them are good and sick over the proposition and are doing an unusual amount of grubbing on the side. Two weeks ago before the November cold snap came on, the factory bosses stopped digging operations all over the country, and for a week of most excellent weather not a root came out of the ground. As a result the premature winter that came along last week caught many fields unharvested. The growers are naturally sore over this business and are threatening to throw up their contract. Some of them have already done so, but these are mainly renters. The Sweet farmers around Eaton in Weld county are the most dissatisfied of all and are bickering all for more desirable work, and so it goes all along the line.—Denver Field and Farm.

Prices of Plant Food.

The wholesale prices per pound of plant food prevailing in New York during the six months immediately preceding March 1 last were for nitrogen in nitrate of soda 12.2 cents, in sulphate of ammonia 14.9 cents and in high grade dried blood 15.2 cents, for available phosphoric acid in acid phosphate, 31 cents and for actual potash in muriate of potash 37 cents, in muriate 36 cents, in double sulphate of potash and magnesia 41 cents and in high grade sulphate of potash 42 cents. A comparison of these figures with those of the previous year shows that "here have been decided advances in the market prices of sulphate of ammonia and dried blood, while the prices of acid phosphate and the potash salts, show little change.—New Jersey Experiment Station.

Grass Seeding.

Neither spring seeding with grain nor fall seeding with winter rye is as sure to produce a perfect stand of grass the first year as seeding in the autumn with grass only. If the price of rye straw is high and the grain can be disposed of to advantage, seeding with winter rye may nevertheless sometimes prove profitable. Spring seeding solely with grass is not so satisfactory as autumn seeding and upon very weedy soil may prove almost a failure. By seeding in the autumn without grain one often derives a great advantage by being able to secure a crop of at least three and one-half to four tons of hay per acre the next summer.—H. J. Wheeler, Rhode Island.

Mrs. Austin's Buckwheat flour is best of all. Don't forget to ask your grocer for it.

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Easy to take, easy to operate—

Hood's Pills

WISDOM OF NOVELISTS.

It is mostly the women who are the gamblers, the men only the cards.—Thomas Hardy.

Cynicism is merely the art of seeing things as they are instead of as they ought to be.—Robert Hichens.

There is no man so much at the mercy of his own vanity as he who enjoys a limited notoriety.—Saton Merriman.

A wise man reduces his affairs to a minimum and his interests in the affairs of his neighbors to less.—Saton Merriman.

It is his sweetheart a man should be particular about. Once he settles down, it does not much matter whom he marries.—J. M. Barrie.

Good finance is knowing how to utilize the fullness of other people's pockets without revealing the emptiness of one's own.—Richard Bagot.

A person who can't argue is like a person who can't chew. He swallows the facts of life unprepared for digestion.—Sara Jeannette Duncan.

The Vote Was a Failure.

The worthy Sunday school superintendent was illustrating the text, "Whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap."

Superintendent—If I want to raise a crop of turnips what sort of seed must I sow?

Children—Turnip seed.

Superintendent—If I want to raise a crop of tomatoes what kind of seed must I sow?

Children—Tomato seed.

Superintendent—Very good. Now, if you want to raise a crop of good manhood what kind of seed must you sow?

And an observer who kept tally reported that the school on test vote was a tie between a turnip seed and tomato seed.

Bilious Colic Prevented.

Take a double dose of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy as soon as the first indication of the disease appears and a threatened attack may be warded off. Hundreds of people use the remedy in this way with perfect success. For sale by all druggists.



WHEN THE CLOCK STRIKES TWELVE.

And ushers in the New Year, it should be the object of everyone to make it more profitable than the last. One way to do it is to save money, and the best way to accomplish this is to open an account in the Lima Savings Bank and Trust Co.

The Lima Savings Bank and Trust Co.
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Saturday morning every one of our ladies', misses' and children's fitted and box Coats and Capes will be put on sale at cost, some less. Takes too much space to price and describe each garment, but if you want a garment at factory prices, you will come to us and make your selections before your size has been taken. Ekimo, Velvet and Bedford Cord Coats for the children. Don't miss this sale, for it means a big saving to you, and you have most of the winter to wear the coats yet.

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New Year Is Our Hearty Wish to All.

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A ticket will be given away with each \$1 worth of work at our office. Our prices the same as before and all our work is guaranteed.

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Best Set of Teeth \$7.00 Good Set of Teeth \$5.00
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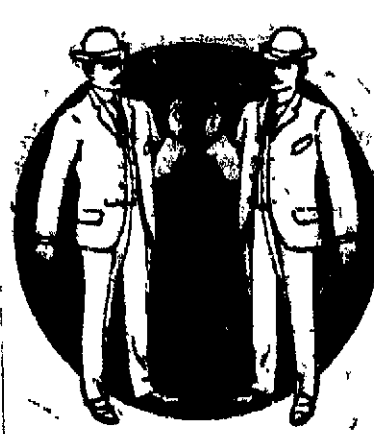
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WAD SOME POWER THE GIVE US—

To see ourselves as others see us! Would not that gift prompt you to have us outfit you without delay with an Overcoat covering other short-comings, and then a new Winter Suit? Really, your "dress" may be more considered by others than by yourself. If it is left to us—at so great cost—to place you inside proper habiliments, you will find it greatly to your interest. Need we say more?

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WHEN The Old Year Merged Into That Of 1904 Employees of the Street Railway Company

Were Enjoying a Banquet
Given Them for Past
Loyal Service.

Manager Bendure Presided Over the
Community of Interests Which
Auror So Well for This
Year—Several Toasts.

When the old year passed into history, there was perfect harmony in the handsome dining room of the Lima House, the occasion being the second annual banquet given by the Lima Street Railway Company to its one hundred gentlemen and intelligent employees.

Mr. Bendure, manager of the company, had made perfect arrangements for the event, and to aid in its success, Mr. King of the Lima House had prepared and had served in courses by an excellent corps of waitresses, the following menu:

- Oyster Cocktail
- Saltine Wafers
- Clam Chowder
- Cekery
- Planked White Fish
- Butter Sauce
- Olives
- Salt Pickles
- Young Turkey Stuffed
- Cranberry Sauce
- Mashed Potatoes
- Green Peas
- Sweet Cider
- Cold
- Ham
- Tongue
- Lamb
- Chicken Salad
- Fruit Ice Cream
- Assorted Cakes
- Mac Laren's Imperial Cheese
- Toasted Water Crackers
- Coffee

With the coffee, Mr. Bendure who acted as toastmaster, talked briefly to the men concerning their work during the year just closed. He complimented them very highly on their efficiency and devotion to the company's interests, and made some pertinent suggestions as to how in little things they could help to improve the service, and advance their own interests. Mr. Bendure was followed by Mr. R. R. Hefford, of Buffalo, a member of the company's directorate, and actively engaged in looking after the financial end of the corporation. After dwelling briefly on the good cheer of the occasion, and the exchange of good wishes for the new year indicated by the gathering, he predicted better results for the year just entered. He dwelt at some length and in a very forceful way on the relations that should exist between employees and employers, and that there should be a community of interests. Employees liked to be on terms of intimacy with their employers, and to counsel with them. Mr. Hefford complimented the

GOT HIS HAIR BACK.

Was Perfectly Bald When He Started to Use Newbro's Herpicide.
Frederick Manfell, Maryland, block, Butler, Montana, bought a bottle of Newbro's Herpicide, April 1, 1903, and began to use it for extra baldness. The hair follicles in his scalp were not dead and in 20 days he had hair all over his head. On July 2 he writes, "and today my hair is as thick and luxuriant as any one could wish." Newbro's Herpicide works on an old principle and with a new discovery—destroy the cause, and you remove the effect. Herpicide destroys the germ that causes dandruff, falling hair, and finally baldness, so that with the cause gone the effect cannot remain. Stops falling hair at once and a new growth starts. Sold by leading druggists. Send for stamps for sample to The Herpicide Co., Detroit, Mich.
Wm. M. Melville, Special Agent.

boys on their good looks, and said he did not know there were so many of them, which he thought at last gave him a reason why the company was unable to pay dividends. He regretted the absence of Mr. Mayer, president of the company, because he knew of his ambition to give Lima one of the best street railways in the United States, and he trusted the employees would take pride in co-operating with the officials of the company to accomplish that end. It meant better wages and advancement for those who were faithful, honest and efficient.

Mr. Hefford was followed by Hon. W. B. Richie in one of his characteristically pointed and bright addresses in which with wit and sound sense happily intermingled he brought force to the suggestions he made, for the betterment of the service, the welfare of its employees, and the pleasing of patrons.

Dr. J. B. Vail, the company's surgeon, talked earnestly and professionally on "How to avoid accidents and what to do when one does happen," and his instructions were valuable, not only to the boys who man the cars, but to all others present.

W. R. Mehafter, representing the Times-Democrat, talked briefly on the subject assigned him: "Newspapers and Street Cars as Public Necessities."

Mr. Herman Chase, of the Y. M. C. A. responded to the toast, "Loyalty," with the earnestness which characterizes all his work, and Mr. Connelly, paymaster for the company, addressed the boys on how they could materially lessen the labor of his department by care in time keeping, the points he wished to make being illustrated by an apt story.

At 2:10 a. m. the banquet ended with Manager Bendure wishing the men with whom he is in perfect accord, a prosperous and happy new year.

CANTORIA.
The King of the Sea Always Sings
Charles H. Hatcher

INJURED

All Doing Well at Fort
Wayne, Indiana.

And Only One Death Will Result
From the Pennsylvania
Wreck.

The remains of Baggageman James Ralfsnyder, who lost his life in the wreck of the Pennsylvania limited, were taken through here yesterday to his home in Crestline and the funeral will be held tomorrow.

Dr. C. B. Stemen, the company's surgeon at Ft. Wayne, who is looking after the other injured ones at the hospital, reports that all are doing well, and only the one death is likely to result from the collision.

Engineer Hebert, who was injured internally, seems to be less seriously injured than at first supposed, says the Ft. Wayne Sentinel, and if the present rate of improvement is maintained he will be able to go to his home early next week. Because of the nature of their injuries the others will probably be confined in the hospital a longer time, though their conditions are not discouraging.

Nellie—Live on a simple diet, don't fret and worry. Your rosy cheeks and clear pretty skin will return soon as you commence taking Rocky Mountain Tea.

For sale by H. F. Vorkamp, corner North and Main streets.

Her Attractiveness.
Mr. Nervey—Miss Ruxley, I adore you. Will you not be my wife?
Miss Ruxley (haughtily)—The idea of your proposing to a girl in my station? You should know better.
Mr. Nervey—I do know better, but no richer.—Philadelphia Press.

We are all clever enough at envying a famous man while he is yet alive and at praising him when he is dead.

BOARD OF AGRICULTURE

What Is Accomplished by This Important
Branch of Ohio's Public Service.

ANNUAL REPORT TELLS THE STORY

Board's Operations Not Only Benefit the Farmer But Every Citizen of the State—Its Activities and Achievements.

Columbus, O.—(Special Correspondence.)—While the Ohio State Board of Agriculture is one of the most important of the state departments, it is doubtful if the people generally have a fair idea of what is accomplished by this branch of the public service.

If he who runs and reads were asked what were the functions of this department, nine answers out of ten would be: "Of course the agricultural department has something to do with the State fair."

The annual report of the Ohio State Board of Agriculture which will be submitted to the coming legislature tells the story of the department better than any letter-press document. The report has been in the public printer's hands for some time, but owing to the great amount of state printing under one contract, the work has been delayed.

The report shows the extent of the operations of the board, and until one peruses it he does not appreciate the wide activities of the department. It shows in its detailed account of the business transactions just what the Agricultural Board does, not only for the farmer, but for every citizen of the state. The detailed account of the business transactions of the board give a fair idea of the magnitude of the work. It covers the crop and live stock statistics as estimated by the Department of Agriculture, during the growing and harvest seasons; the agricultural statistics for the preceding year, as gathered by township assessors; comparative tables of agricultural statistics; reports from county agricultural societies; report of the State Fair; report on commercial fertilizers sold in the state; proceedings of the annual meeting of the State Board of Agriculture; proceedings of the annual State Farmers' Institute; report of the county farmers' institutes, held under the auspices of the State Board of Agriculture; report of the division of nursery and orchard inspection; report of the state veterinarian, and as an appendix, the report of the State Horticultural Society.

This annual volume contains more than a thousand pages of interesting matter, all pertaining to farm operations and the distribution of the farm products, and which are valuable from an educational point, and aid greatly in sustaining and building up the agriculture of the state.

CROP REPORTS.

As to the crop and live-stock estimates made by the department during the growing and harvest season, and sent out each month in special bulletins, it can be said that the estimates are based on information regularly received from a corps of correspondents, composed of intelligent farmers, one from each township of the state, and the results secured are but plain facts as they exist, from time to time, uncolored in any way, or manipulated to serve any particular purpose. This information is furnished that farmers may draw their own conclusions as to underproduction or overproduction, and determine which is best to do in reference to crops for the succeeding year. The department does not, and will not, attempt to predict possible rise or fall in prices, or advise the disposition of crops or live stock; these are matters wholly with the individual farmer, who is furnished with prompt information that places him on an equal footing with the manipulators at the great grain market centers.

The crop statistics as collected by township assessors, and finally returned to the Secretary of Agriculture, are for the preceding year, and while valuable as a matter of record and as a basis upon which to figure percentages estimates for the current year's crops, do not meet the purpose filled by the monthly reports made and promptly published by the department. The agricultural statistics as gathered by township assessors can only be published long after the crops have been sold. The monthly reports referred to give approximately accurate estimates, before the crops are harvested or the live stock prepared for the markets; the difference value to the farmer is strongly apparent.

The collection, tabulation, compilation of results, publication and distribution of the crop reports, involve a great deal of careful work on the part of the Department of Agriculture and some expense to the state, but the work is of such importance to the agricultural interests and to the people in general, that both work and expense are fully warranted.

ANNUAL MEETING OF BOARD.

The annual meeting of the State Board of Agriculture, the proceedings of which are incorporated in the annual report, is held under the provisions of the statutes, which provide that on the first Thursday after the second Monday in January, annually, the board shall meet, together with the presidents of county agricultural societies, who for the time are ex officio members of the board, for deliberation and consultation as to the wants, prospects and conditions of agriculture throughout the state, and at this annual meeting two members of the State Board of Agriculture are elected.

At these annual meetings the vital questions pertaining to agriculture are presented and discussed by able

men and needed legislation is duly considered. It becomes the central body from which emanates the different branches of agricultural work, the original source of authority and procedure. The general assembly, early in the history of Ohio, wisely provided for this central body, and from it has sprung nearly every move that has given us our present advanced condition in the field of agricultural education and standing. Ohio is a leader in many respects, and the work of the State Board of Agriculture stands out pre-eminent in contributing to her present greatness.

COUNTY FARMERS' INSTITUTES.

The law makes provision for the holding of county farmers' institutes, and delegates the management of them to the State Board of Agriculture. The annual report of the board contains many of the most valuable lectures delivered at the various institutes, and other matter required by law to be published. This county farmers' institute feature of agricultural work in Ohio was inaugurated some years ago. Twenty-seven institutes were arranged for, and at the close of the season, it had developed that the institute idea was a most popular and valuable one, and urgent demands came from all parts of the state for their continuance and enlargement. It was not long until the general assembly of Ohio became impressed with the importance of this institute work, recognizing, as it did, the effective means afforded for agricultural education to the mass of Ohio farmers and the consequent betterment of agricultural conditions which was to the financial interest of the state. Consideration by the general assembly culminated in the law under which the institutes have for a number of years been conducted. They increased rapidly in numbers and popularity until the very limit of the means afforded is now exhausted each year, but still the demands increase. At present about 250 can be provided for. In arranging for them, a great amount of work is required of the department, in order that justice may be done to each county of the state. Thirty-five lecturers are engaged by the board, gentlemen who are specialists in certain lines of agricultural work. These lecturers are assigned, two to an institute, and sent out on the different circuits formed, to aid the local authorities and assist the local talent in conducting the institute work. Ohio is doing more farmers' institute work than any other state, and at a great deal less cost.

In a subsequent article, the work of the State Board of Agriculture in connection with Ohio's annual State fair will be discussed, as well as other features of the board's duties.

Be Quick.

Not a minute should be lost when a child shows symptoms of croup. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the croupy coughs appear, will prevent the attack. It never fails, and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all druggists.

If a state like Kansas could be dropped down in central Europe it would be regarded as the garden of Eden.

Cows fed on ensilage during the winter without any side ration will give 50 per cent as much milk as when fed on grass during the summer.

One of the very best calves we ever saw never even had an introduction to its mother and always bawled as soon as it heard the hum of the farm separator.

The very poorest grade of hogs sent to the markets is known as "government," implying that they find their way into army and navy rations. We used to get this kind in 1863.

There has been a reduction of nearly 25 per cent in the freight charge since 1882. Then the charge was a cent and a fraction per ton per mile; now it is a fraction over three-quarters of a cent.

Query: If it is right to appropriate the public money to get water on to a desert, why not to drain a swamp? And yet every drainage enterprise so far undertaken has been by private enterprise.

A prominent paper in the west states that one of its patrons this year raised 100 bushels of popcorn on two-thirds of an acre of ground. Affidavits should always be attached to this class of agricultural yarns.

The state of New York voted at the late election the enormous bond issue of \$101,000,000 for the enlargement of the Erie canal. This improvement means more to the western producer than it does to the farmers of the state of New York.

We are wont to think of a gold mine as the best illustration of concrete wealth and profit, but here is the Calumet and Hecla copper mine giving its stockholders a total of \$38,350,000 in dividends since its opening on an invested capital of only \$2,500,000.

Good coffee, a bit of sausage and a plate of Mrs. Austin's Buckwheat cakes makes a perfect breakfast. 6-6t

Nasal CATARRH
In all its stages there should be cleanliness.
Ely's Cream Balm cleanses, soothes and heals the diseased membrane. It cures catarrh, and drives away a cold in the head quickly.
Cream Balm is placed into the nostrils, spreads over the membrane and is absorbed. Relief is immediate and a cure follows. It is a sure remedy—does not produce sneezing. Large Size, 50 cents at Drug Store or by mail; Trial Size, 10 cents by mail.
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Large Ensemble of Singers. Two cars of Magnificent Scenery and Costumes utilized in production.

The Big Musical and Society Event of the Season.

Scale of Prices: 25, 50, 75c, \$1; lower boxes \$1.50.

Not Always So.
Tess—So you've broken with him?
Jess—Yes. He was entirely too hard to please.
Tess—Gracious! How he must have changed since he proposed to you—Philadelphia Press.

Coughs, Colds and Constipation.
Few people realize when taking cough medicines other than Foley's Honey and Tar, that they contain opiates which are constipating besides being unsafe, particularly for children. Foley's Honey and Tar contains no opiates, is safe and sure, and will not constipate. Don't be imposed upon by taking substitutes, some of them are dangerous. Sold by H. F. Vorkamp, corner Main and North streets.

Report From the Reform School.
J. G. Gluck, superintendent, Pruntytown, W. Va., writes: "After trying all other advertised cough medicines we have decided to use Foley's Honey and Tar exclusively in the West Virginia Reform School. I find it the most effective and absolutely harmless." Sold by H. F. Vorkamp, corner Main and North streets.

The Big Sale
On Waists, Dress and Walking Skirts begins Saturday morning. Not an old Waist or Skirt in our stock, and the profits have been knocked right and left. We will not be undersold and will prove it to you if you will investigate. Our styles are so decided from others, and our reduced prices defy competition. Be among the first to get your supply.

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If your doctor says this is the best cough medicine you can take, then take it. We are willing to prove it with him.

DIED

On Anniversary of Her Wedding.

Mrs. Eva Tevis

Had Been Married Just One Year,

When Angel of Death Released Her From Intense Suffering.

Watch Meeting Held—The Mason and Davis Wedding—The South Side News Gathered in a Jiffy.

At the home of her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Castle, at 913 south Elizabeth street, occurred the death of Mrs. Eva Tevis, wife of Mr. Eugene Peris, of Dayton, O., and daughter of Mrs. Anna Miller, of this city. Mrs. Tevis came to this city from Dayton a few weeks ago, to visit her relatives and became ill shortly after her arrival. She suffered an illness of three weeks duration, and death was due to an attack of spinal meningitis.

The deceased was aged 18 years, 10 months and 15 days. She was born in New York state, February 16, 1885, and one year ago tonight, became the wife of Mr. Eugene Tevis.

The funeral services will be held at the south Main street Presbyterian church at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon and will be conducted by the pastor Mr. Curry. The remains will be consigned to a final resting place in Woodlawn cemetery.

Welcomed the New Year.

Last evening, a jolly crowd of young people gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elvin D. Arnold, on Second street and proceeded to enjoy themselves until the advent of the new year. At ten o'clock the hostess served a delicate, but delicious luncheon. Those in attendance were: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Caska, of Anderson, Ind.; Mrs. Minnie Arnold, of Ft. Wayne; Mrs. Tinnie Woods, of Dayton; Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Woods, Misses Ada and Daisy Cochran, Gustie McCoy, Fay Nuncmaker and Russell and Ray Robbins, Albert Kennedy and Otto Sunkledet.

Little Newslets.

Mr. Henry C. Gordon, of Rockford, O., a guest of his grandsons, Russell and Ray Robbins, of 406 Second street.

The workers of the Christian Missionary Alliance are holding protracted meetings at their gospel tabernacle just south of the bridge.

G. M. Herrett, the venerable father of T. A. Herrett, went to Hillsdale, Mich. yesterday to visit a daughter.

One fourth of the price on all millinery and furs at Van Horn's.

Miss Wm. Hodde, of Holly street, is suffering from a severe case of tonsillitis.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Thew went to La Rue this morning, to spend the day with his parents.

Leave your order for walking skirts.

TO THE PUBLIC

In general, and our patrons in particular we wish a

HAPPY and Prosperous NEW YEAR.

We trust the treatment accorded our patrons merits a continuance of their favors. If you've never called here, come in and get acquainted. We'll be pleased to see you, buy or not.

Kraft Shoe Co.

719 South Main St.

CLAIMS

Prominent Golden State Men Sold Him

And His Associates a Gold Mine That Was Well Salted.

Suit Brought for Recovery of Hundreds of Thousands of Dollars as Purchase Money and for Operation.

San Francisco, Jan. 1.—Robert J. Anderson, representing eastern people among them Frank S. Lewis, of the Reading Railroad and W. P. and E. V. Higgins, of the Lake Superior Consolidated Co., is suing Jno. F. Davis, of Amador, Cal., and Frank Hall of this city, to recover \$250,000 paid defendants for the Sweepstake mine, near Weaverville and for compensation for expenditures on the property amounting to some hundreds of thousands of dollars. Anderson, the plaintiff, alleges that the mine which he and his associates bought for \$6,000,000 payable in installments of \$125,000 each, of which two have been paid, was "salted."

John F. Davis, one of the defendants has represented Amador and other counties of California, in the state senate, has been a superior judge, and is now road commissioner.

A kidney or bladder trouble can always be cured by using Foley's Kidney Cure in time. Sold by H. F. Vorkamp, corner Main and North streets.

THE STAGE.

The Roscoe Opera Co. has scored a most marked success in "When Johnny Comes Marching Home." All critics declare this to be the best American opera's since "Robin Hood." It is a great novelty in every respect and drew immense audiences, such eminent men as Senator Dewey and ex-Governor Black highly commending it. The latter has seen it several times. Many of the musical numbers have attained a great vogue and are being widely sung and whistled and played by orchestras. An especially attractive number is a song and chorus "Katie, My Southern Rose," sung by union officers and introducing a promenade of officers and Southern belles arrayed in the great uniform and hoop skirts worn during the Civil war period. "When Johnny Comes Marching Home," will be at Fairport opera house this afternoon and evening.

The Rose Cecilia Saay Grand Opera Co. is the only grand opera organization in this country having its own full orchestra. Its band is no small part of the really meritorious company. It is under the conductorship of Signor Carlo Mascagni, who was for a term of years Mascagni's concert master. He was given carte blanche to select his orchestra and it includes some of the best musicians in the country. Among these is a cellist of international reputation and two former members of the Boston Symphony Orchestra. Nicomast himself is a musician of the highest order, and the magnificent fashion in which his company has been producing the great works of the repertoire this season is in no small measure due to his superb conductorship. The Rose Cecilia Saay Co. will be seen at the Fairport opera house, Saturday evening.

David Hatton, made famous by Edward Noyes Westcott's widely read book, will be presented at the Fairport opera house on Monday evening. The comedy comes with the elation of its New York and Boston runs. Upon its first production in New York it ran for sixteen weeks. Those who witness the play will find in it three scenes that are likely to be remembered for many days. One of these is the famous horse trade with Deacon Perkins the second is a scene showing the Deacon trying to drive the horse during a shower of heavy rain, the third is the scene in Aunt Polly's home on Christmas morning when David tells the story of his boyhood visit to the circus, and of the whipping which followed.

The Little Light Bearers of Trinity church will meet Saturday afternoon, January 2nd at 2 o'clock sharp, with Mrs. Cora Toy, 140 1/2 south Main street, over Myers and John's grocery. Every member is urged to be present and bring a friend. By order of the PRESIDENT.

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Cures Rheumatism

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ON THE RANGE.

The Range Country Wants Good Blood—The Country Improver.

The range country cries for blood—good blood—that the ranchmen may some day get through shipping tailings by the train load. It is the business of improved stock breeders to keep their ears open to the cry of these needy ones, and see that they get what they want and need. In the work of advancing the herds of the ranges and farms to a higher and more profitable grade the Shorthorn breed has made a wonderfully notable record. It was the pioneer improver to first color the cattle red, broaden their backs and shorten both the horns and legs of the breeding herds of Kansas, Colorado and adjacent territory on the south. Unfortunately, much of this good missionary work is lost to us today by the discontinuance of the careful breeding and the conversion of a majority of these herds into beef, and has to be done over again.

Cow Herds of the West and South. All over the west and south there are now being gathered the nuclei of a thousand cow herds of high and low degree. The progeny of these herds will need shaping and coloring. Here is the opportunity for the Shorthorn missionary to do in a larger way what he has so well done before—make his mark by painting the prairie pastures red and roan. The Shorthorn has in so many contests demonstrated the stuff of which they are made that the stimulating rivalry is welcomed with other beef breeds that have followed these pioneers into the wilderness to help in the work of reclamation. There is still missionary roots for them all, and the Shorthorn is more than ever needed. What one of the beef breeds is better qualified to expand the ribs, broaden the hips and shorten the horns and legs of the straight native than the lordly Shorthorn? For the Shorthorn is most potent just where the native is most defective. It breeds for the scales and for the butcher's block.

The Shorthorn Record. In demonstration of this it is only necessary to refer to the records of the American fat stock shows in Chicago. During seventeen years, hence, according to the official reports, the honor of being champion beef steer in each year went eight times to the grade Shorthorn, four times to the pure bred Shorthorn, twice to the cross bred Hereford-Shorthorn, twice to the pure bred Hereford and once to a pure bred Angus. In feeding contests for daily weight and gain the records show that the average gain of three-year-olds of all breeds for thirteen years was 150 pounds, of Shorthorns, 159 pounds.—Denver Field and Farm.

Sugar Beet Medicine.

The best growers of northern Colorado have taken so much sugar factory medicine that many of them are good and sick over the proposition and are doing an unusual amount of grubbing on the side. Two weeks ago, before the November cold snap came on, the factory bosses stopped digging operations all over the country, and for a week of most excellent weather not a root came out of the ground. As a result the present winter that came along last week caught many beds unharvested. The growers are naturally sore over this business and are threatening to throw up their contract. Some of them have already done so, but these are mostly reapers. The sweet farmers around Eaton in Weld county are the most dissatisfied of all and are hiking out for more desirable work, and so it goes all along the line—Denver Field and Farm.

Prices of Prime Food.

Wholesale prices per pound of plant food prevailing in New York preceding March 1 last were for superphosphate 122 cents, in sulphate of ammonia 149 cents and in high grade dried blood 152 cents; for available phosphoric acid in acid phosphate 31 cents and for actual potash in muriate of potash 37 cents, in Permut 36 cents, in double sulphate of potash and magnesia 41 cents and in high grade sulphate of potash 42 cents. A comparison of these figures with those of the previous year shows that there have been decided advances in the market prices of sulphate of ammonia and dried blood, while the prices of acid phosphate and the potash salts show little change.—New Jersey Experiment Station.

Grass Seeding.

Neither spring seeding with grain nor fall seeding with winter rye is as sure to produce a perfect stand of grass the first year as seeding in the autumn with grass seed. If the piece of rye straw is high and the grain can be disposed of to advantage, seeding with winter rye may nevertheless sometimes prove profitable. Spring seeding solely with grass is not so satisfactory as autumn seeding and upon very weedy soil may prove almost a failure. By seeding in the autumn without grain one often derives a great advantage by being able to secure a crop of at least three and one-half to four tons of hay per acre the next summer.—H. J. Wheeler, Rhode Island.

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WISDOM OF NOVELISTS.

It is mostly the women who are the gamblers, the men only the cards.—Thomas Hardy.

Cynicism is merely the art of seeing things as they are instead of as they ought to be.—Robert Hichens.

There is no man so much at the mercy of his own vanity as he who enjoys a limited notoriety.—Scot Merriman.

A wise man reduces his affairs to a minimum and his interests in the affairs of his neighbors to less.—Scot Merriman.

It is his sweetheart a man should be particular about. Once he settles down, it does not much matter whom he marries.—J. M. Barrie.

Good finance is knowing how to utilize the fullness of other people's pockets without revealing the emptiness of one's own.—Richard Bagot.

A person who can't argue is like a person who can't swim. He swallows the facts of life unprepared for digestion.—Sara Jeannette Duncan.

The Vote Was a Failure.

The worthy Sunday school superintendent was illustrating the text, "Whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap."

Superintendent—If I want to raise a crop of turnips what sort of seed must I sow?

Children—Turnip seed.

Superintendent—If I want to raise a crop of tomatoes what kind of seed must I sow?

Children—Tomato seed.

Superintendent—Very good. Now, if you want to raise a crop of good manhood what kind of seed must you sow?

And an observer who kept tally reported that the school on test vote was a tie between turnip seed and tomato seed.

Bilious Colic Prevented.

Take a double dose of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy as soon as the first indication of the disease appears and a threatened attack may be ward off. Hundreds of people use the remedy in this way with perfect success. For sale by all druggists.



WHEN THE CLOCK STRIKES TWELVE.

And ushers in the New Year, it should be the object of everyone to make it more profitable than the last. One way to do it is to save money, and the best way to accomplish this is to open an account in the Lima Savings Bank and Trust Co.

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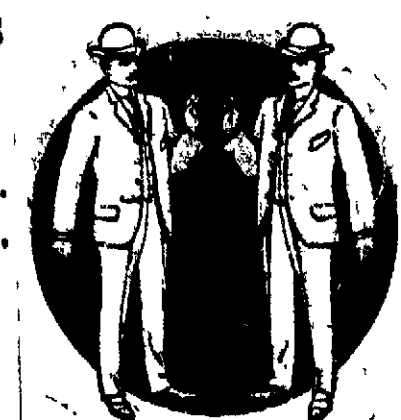
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THE WEATHER.

Washington, Jan. 1.—Rain and snow
in south portion tonight, colder in ex-
treme southern portions; Saturday,
snow with fresh with northeast winds.

MARRIAGE LAWS ABROAD.

How Breach of Promise Cases Are
Averted in Hungary.

"There are many curious and inter-
esting facts regarding the marriage
and divorce laws of foreign countries,"
said R. J. Brown, who recently return-
ed from a trip abroad, where he made
a study of the question.

"Breaches of promise are averted in
Hungary by an express declaration of
the civil marriage act that the relation
created by a betrothal do not give the
right to demand the conclusion of a
marriage, but if either party with-
draws from an engagement without
just reasons he or she is bound to
grant compensation to the extent of
the outlay incurred. Divorce in the
English sense does not exist, but the
courts can decree the personal separa-
tion of a married couple without dis-
solving the bonds of matrimony."

"A curious law prevailing in France
provides that before being married
children of a family, although over
age, shall seek in respectful and formal
terms the advice of their father and
mother. It makes no difference, how-
ever, whether the consent of parents is
given, for the couple can be married a
month after under any circumstances.
This is also the case in the Nether-
lands. A divorce further entitles the
innocent party to recover all the pres-
ents he or she may have made."

"According to the constitution of the
Netherlands, the civil marriage must
always precede the religious ceremony.
The latter, indeed, is left entirely to
the conscience of the parties concern-
ed. There is also a law providing that
no man or woman under thirty can
marry without the consent of parents.
If the consent be refused, the couple
have to appear before a judge, who
advises them as he thinks best."

"Many countries have now abolished
all marriage fees. This is the case in
Norway, while in the Netherlands cer-
tain days in the week are set apart
when persons may be married without
payment."—Indianapolis News.

His Advice.

"You're neglecting your business,"
the old man declared.
"I admit it," the young man replied
frankly. "The fact is, I'm engaged, and
naturally the girl gets my time and
thoughts."

"For heaven's sake, marry her," ad-
vised the old man. "Then you'll have
no trouble keeping away from her!"—
Chicago Post.

Statistics.

"What do statistics show?" inquired
the man who was warming up to his
subject.

"As a rule," answered the man who
is always doubtful, "they don't show
much except patience and industry on
the part of the man who collected
them."—Washington Star.

Even Worse.

"I cannot sing the old songs," war-
bled the young woman at the piano.
But this was small relief, for the new
ones she sang were even worse.—Chi-
cago Tribune.

Don't judge a man by his failures in
life, for many a man fails because he
is too honest to succeed.

Worst of All Experiences.

Can anything be worse than to feel
that ever; minute will be your last?
Such was the experience of Mrs. E. H.
Newson, Decatur, Ala. "For three
years," she writes, "I endured insur-
mountable pain from indigestion, stomach
and bowel trouble. Death seemed
inevitable when doctors and all reme-
dies failed. At length I was induced
to try Electric Bitters and the result
was miraculous. I improved at once
and now I'm completely recovered.
Try Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver
Pills. They are easy to take and
produce no nausea, griping or other
disagreeable effect. For sale by all
druggists."



A mortgaged crop hardly ever pans
out to the obligations against it.

It is worth remembering that the
drained land is not only made dry in a
wet time, but better holds moisture in
a dry time.

The Indians, the lumber jacks and
northern hunters, as well as the weath-
er prophets, who know the least of the
lot, unite in predicting a very mild
winter.

Until Russia can be rid of its igno-
rance, its vodka or whisky, its super-
stitions and accompanying poverty it
can never be a great nation, no matter
how grand its natural resources.

Nebraska produces this year 200,000,
000 bushels of corn, 40,000,000 bushels
of wheat and live stock worth \$150,
000,000, and the people there do not
care a cent whether stocks go up or
down on Wall street.

The magnificent balance of trade
which each year shows to the credit of
this country is directly to be credited
to the farmers of the nation. The hun-
gry maws of foreign people must be
filled, no matter what the balance of
trade is.

Nine novels published during 1903
required the sacrifice of 4,000 spruce
trees to furnish the paper upon which
the books were printed, and not a book
of the lot will be heard of or known
twenty years from now. Our forests
might be used in a better cause.

A man's view of hard times is influ-
enced very much by the use he has
made of his credit. If he happens to
have a balance in the bank upon which
he is drawing 4 per cent interest he
takes a more chipper view of things
than if he has a note due in thirty days
and has to ask an extension.

Among the hardest of jobs on the
farm is the lifting by main force of a
heavy hayrack on and off the wagon.
A few men are wise enough to fit
a pair of pulleys for this work, when
one man can shift a rack off and on
with the greatest ease. Who would
crum and strain when it might be so
easily avoided?

The writer of these notes is always
glad to receive letters of inquiry or
criticism from those who read them.
We are also always pleased to receive
suggestions and facts of interest in an
agricultural, horticultural or scientific
way. All letters of inquiry will re-
ceive a personal reply when return
postage is inclosed.

It is estimated that the coal roads,
those which, having direct connection
with the mines, move the fuel sup-
ply of the country, are losers to the
amount of over 120,000 tons of coal
each year by the petty pilfering of the
coal while it is in transit, some cars
showing a loss of three or four tons
when they reach the consignee.

The dollar's worth of sugar is the
bait which traps more people in the
purchase of bills of groceries than any
other one thing. They will blindly and
foolishly invest in teas, coffees, spices,
soaps, condiments and shoeblack-
ing, things about the value of which they
know little or nothing, if they can see
a chance to get an extra pound or two
of sugar for a dollar.

One of the most successful dairymen
and farmers in Minnesota was caught
three years ago turning under a very
heavy second crop of clover with the
plow by some of his neighbors. They
made fun of him, he having only re-
cently gone on to the farm from a city
business, but his corn crops raised on
land so treated have been an object les-
son for his scoffing neighbors, and now
they are doing the same thing.

For two years past the hog raisers
of the country have been in clover.
They have been exempt from visit-
ations of cholera and have been get-
ting almost fancy prices for their pork-
ers from \$6 to \$7.50 per hundredweight. Of
course this very satisfactory condition
could not be expected to remain a per-
manent thing, and now the expected
change has come, and pork has come
down to a four dollar basis to the pro-
ducer.

Just starved out—that's what's the
matter with that field where the corn
grows yellow and spindling, short on
humus, short on nitrogen, bones stick-
ing out like an old cow wintered at a
straw pile or in a cornstalk field. What
to do with it? Well, first get on twenty-
five good big loads of barnyard
manure to the acre, then get it into
clover just as soon as you can; take off
a crop of hay and then plow under the
second crop and plant to corn. Yellow
corn or small grain is nature's signal
that the field is hungry for clover.

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Coats
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JANUARY CLEARANCE SALE.

Our January Clearance Sale begins tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock and will be the greatest sale we ever held. More goods will be marked down and more real bargains offered for sale than at any January sale ever seen in Lima. Our reasons for sacrificing seasonable merchandise would not be of interest to you. The fact remains that we will sacrifice seasonable goods, waiving all profit for the time being on all goods except those on which the selling price is restricted—like Butterick Patterns, for instance. Note a few of the price reductions:

**Terms
of Sale
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lutely
Cash.**

Furs.

Every fur scarf and every fur coat
has been reduced from one-third to one-
half.

All \$5.00 Fur Scarfs for \$3.50.
All 7.50 Fur Scarfs for 5.00.
All 10.00 Fur Scarfs for 6.67.
All 15.00 Fur Scarfs for 10.00.
All 18.00 Fur Scarfs for 12.00.
All fancy Furs half price.

\$30 Electric Seal Coats, Nutria
Beaver trimmed, reduced to \$19.50.
\$50 Electric Seal Coats, beaver trim-
med, reduced to \$35.00.

Coats.

All Silk Coats at half price. All \$10
Velvet Coats, silk lined, reduced to \$6.67.
All \$15 Velvet Coats marked down to \$10.

Skirts.

Black Dress Skirts that were 7.50
and 10.00, will be sold at \$5 each. The
12.00 and 15.00 grades marked down to
\$7.50. Black Silk Underskirts that were
5.00, for \$1.50.

Silks.

Nearly every piece of Silk in our
stock has been reduced for this sale.

75c Fancy Silks for 39c.
\$1.00 Fancy Silks for 79c.
1.25 Fancy Silks for 89c.
1.75 Fancy Silks for \$1.19.
85c Taffetas for 55c.
\$1.25 Black Moire Silk for 79c.
1.50 Black Moire Silk for 89c.
1.00 Black Brocade Silk for 59c.
75c Foulard Silk for 49c.

Dress Goods.

One lot of 24-inch Cotton Dress
Goods at 4c a yard. 75c black and white
Mohairs at 35c. 1.25 black Cheviot at
79c. 1.25 Zebelines reduced to 79c. 1.50
Zebelines at 89c. 1.25 Lanesdowns in
fancy effects reduced to 98c. 1.00 black
Melrose at 79c. Fancy Velvets that were
1.50 a yard reduced to 98c.

Underwear.

Ladies' all wool Vests and Pants in
white, natural, and blue colors, all sizes,
plain weave or ribbed, marked down from
\$1.25 and \$1.50 to 98c for this sale.
Ladies' gray fleeced Pants 15c each.
Boys' Merino Shirts, slightly soiled, 10c
each—were 25c and 35c. Men's all wool
double-breasted and double-back Shirts
marked down for this sale from 1.50 to \$1.
Drawers to match have double seat.

Kid Gloves.

A big lot of \$1.00, 1.25 and 1.50 Kid
Gloves will be closed out at 50c a pair,
all colors and all sizes. These Gloves
will either be exchanged or fitted.

Corsets.

One lot of Corsets that have been
selling here and are still selling in other
stores here at one dollar a pair, will be
offered at 69c during the sale. Another
lot, not all sizes, of Corsets that were
\$1.50 to \$2.50, will go at 98c.

Hosiery.

Ladies' black wool hose, ribbed top,
our regular 25c number for 19c. Men's
black woolen socks that were 25c will
also be sold at 19c.
Ladies' heavy fleeced lined hose that
were 19c, reduced to 12 1-2 for this sale.
Children's fleeced hose at 10c a pair
that were 15c. Infants' wool hose, 10c
—19c value.

Embroideries.

Embroideries divided into two lots.
The first lot is made up of all the embroi-
deries up to 12 1-2c and the sale price
will be 5c a yard. The second lot con-
tains all the goods that were 15c to 25c
and the special price on this lot will be
10c a yard.

Laces.

One lot of Torchon laces and inser-
tions reduced from 8c, 10c and 12 1-2c to
5c for this sale.

Quilts.

One case of extra large bed spreads,
marseilles patterns, hemmed ends, regu-
lar \$1.25 value for 89c.
Fringed bed spreads that were mark-
ed \$1.35 will go during this sale at 94c.

Comfortables.

Our regular dollar number will be
sold at 79c and \$1.25 grade at \$1.00—the
latter is an extra size, silkoline covered,
and knotted, and is filled with an excel-
lent grade of white cotton.

Ginghams.

All of our 7c ginghams at 5 1-2c a
yard. 10c and 12 1-2c dress ginghams,
short lengths, 5c a yard.

Carpets.

All wool ingrain carpets, good pat-
terns, wearing qualities fully guaranteed,
value 75c, sale price 59c—50c grade for
37 1-2c. Brussels carpets worth 75c and
85c, sale price 59c a yard. Velvet car-
pets at 79c. Extra heavy velvet carpets
worth \$1.35 and \$1.60 will go at 98c a
yard. Axminster carpets worth \$1.50,
and the special price on this lot will be
extra charge.

Rugs.

We have more room size rugs than
all the other dealers in this city put to-
gether. Axminster rugs, full room size
and beautiful patterns, regular \$25 value
for \$19 during this sale. \$30 grades for
\$22.50. \$35 rugs for \$25.

Draperies.

Portieres worth \$3.98, for \$2.75; \$5
grade for \$3.98; \$7.50 number will be \$5,
and all ten dollar portieres \$6.98.

Lace Curtains.

There is not a pair of lace curtains
that has not been marked down. It will
pay you to anticipate your wants as such
bargains may not be seen again.

Bleached Table Linen, 70 inches wide, worth 75c for 59c a yard. One bale of 7c Muslin at 5 1-2c a yard. Black Satteen Petticoats worth \$1.25 for 79c. 12 1-2c Linen Toweling for 9c; 10c grade for 7c. Pillow Ribbons worth 25c for 15c. 50c and 75c Belts reduced to 39c. Stocking Yarn at half price. 50c and 75c Pillow Tops at 39c; 25c kind for 19c. Ladies' Wash Waists that were \$1 for 39c. Dollar grade Dressing Jackets in Eiderdown and Flannelette at 50c.

Store closed all day today to mark down goods. Sale opens at 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.

CARROLL & COONEY.

A Practical Mind.

The teacher was endeavoring to give
the class some idea of the greatness of
this country in a commercial sense.
"Take the egg product alone," she said.
"It is estimated that if all the eggs
produced in the United States last year
were loaded into one railway train,
when the engine was pulling into New-
ark, N. J., the caboose would just be
leaving Davenport, Ia."

"This seems hard to realize," she con-
tinued, "but the statistics are compiled
by a well known authority."
A little boy raised his hand.
"What is it, Donald?" asked the
teacher.

"I don't believe it's true, Miss Adair,"
he said. "One engine couldn't pull that
train."

A Scandal Spoiled.

"Of course he and his wife seem
devoted to each other now," said the
jealous Miss Ganssipp, "but do you
think she will always be so true and
all that?"
"Well," replied Miss Kidder, "I have
reason to know that only last night he
had occasion to set a trap for her."
"Ah! Do you know, I suspected some-
thing!"
"They more than suspected. They
knew there were mice in the house."—
Philadelphia Press.

Strange, Though Not Hostile.
"Cheroot is really the most marvel-
ous smoker I ever knew."
"Hundred cigars a day or something
like that?"
"Oh, no. He's temperate enough. The
remarkable thing is that he always has
matches himself."—Cincinnati Times-
Star.

OIL MARKET.

Tiona oil \$ 2.00
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White House oil 1.30
Somerset oil 1.30
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Signor Carl Nicasia
Two cars of magnificent scenery.
Scale of Prices—25c, 50c, 75c,
\$1.00 and \$1.50
Seat sale opens Friday 9 a. m.

HARVESTING MACHINE

PLANT BURNED DOWN.
Napoleon, O., Jan. 1.—The Morning
Star Thresher factory was completely
destroyed by fire this morning. Started
by an overheated stove in the foundry
department. Total loss \$80,000, with
but \$10,000 insurance.

RECEIVED MANY.

Berlin, Jan. 1.—Ambassador and
Mrs. Tower today, received about
three hundred members of the Ameri-
can colony.

All who have used
the Times-Democrat want column
know it to be the
best and quickest
medium for good
results.

WANTS, FOR RENT, LOST, FOR SALE, ETC.

WANTED—Female h. p. good places
now open for the right parties. Ap-
ply at the office of Hotel Cam-
bridge at once. 9-31
WANTED—Energetic young man
from 18 to 23 years old. Office work
and collections. Good chance for
advancement. Address C., Times-
Democrat. 8-31
WANTED—A well educated young
man who desires to learn short hand
and typewriting. Excellent oppor-
tunity. Address, "Stena," care of
Times-Democrat. 7-31
WANTED—Lady agents to go to St.
Louis fair. Call at 222 south Rika-
beth street for particulars. M.

Brown. 67 3c
WANTED—Girl to do housework in
family of two. Inquire 512 west
Spring street. 9-21

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—One Lubin 1903 exhibi-
tion model, moving picture ma-
chine and outfit complete, and all
new. Address 914 east High street,
or new phone 670. 9-31

FOR SALE—First class meat market
and grocery; will sell cheap if sold
at once. Compelled to sell on ac-
count of sickness. George Haller,
209 south Main street. 57-11

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—Wheeler hall, sets, of
rooms and flats in Wheeler block.
Also two shops. Call at 319 west
Market street. Telephone, Main
285. 9-31

FOR RENT—One furnished room
suitable for two gentlemen. P. O.
Box 591. 6-12

FOUND.

FOUND—A pair of spectacles. Lower
apply at Green's book store. 11

MISCELLANEOUS.

J. N. HUTCHISON has resumed the
practice of law, and has his office in
room No. 404 opera house block.
6-12

R. T. GREGG & CO.

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GREETING.

WE WISH YOU ALL A PROSPEROUS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR.

We thank the people of Lima and vicinity for their very liberal patronage. This year almost doubled itself over the first year of our business with you, and again WE THANK YOU but for the year 1904, that has just launched in upon us, we mean to do greater things. Our spring stock has been bought for some time and will soon be rolling in upon us. We must make room and we want to help you start 1904 off just right, so we inaugurate a one week sale and we believe one of the greatest and grandest opportunities you have ever had to buy STRICTLY RELIABLE FIRST-CLASS MERCHANDISE at the New Year prices; and bear in mind our stock is sparkling new goods. No old shelf worn or shoddy plunder of 15 years accumulation to throw out to our trade. Nothing but choice goods and of the first quality ever enters our doors, and no misrepresentations made to sell any article. To prove the saying, come and see.

Sale Commences Saturday Morning and Continues for One Solid Week.

Our entire line of Silk, blacks and colors, for one week, at positive cost.

Our entire line of Dress Goods, for one week, at positive cost.

We are fully determined to make this one of the leading departments and you will find most excellent values awaiting you. Help us make room for our Spring line. No shelf worn goods to show you. We cut any piece of Dress Goods in the house—At Cost.

All White Goods go at cost for one week.

All standard makes of Prints for one week at 4 1-2c per yard.

All Apron Check Gingham for one week at 4 1-2c per yard.

A 32-inch Percale, worth 8c, for one week at 5c per yard.

A 36-inch Percale, worth 10c, for one week at 8c per yard.

Children's school steel rod Umbrellas, special, at 28c.

One lot of Flannelettes, new patterns, sale price, per yard, 9c.

One lot Flannelette, the 12 1-2c and 15c grade, sale price, per yard, 11c.

One lot half bleached Table Linen, extra wide fine quality, a flyer, goes on sale all next week at 40c per yard.

The biggest and best value ever offered, and for all next week, we will sell a fine bleached satin Damask, full 72-inches wide, that sold readily at \$1.35 per yard, for only, sale price, 89c per yard.

Take advantage of this great Linen opportunity, all new patterns, nothing old or shelf worn to show you, and not an accumulation of years to work off, but new, absolutely NEW.

A 10-4 all cotton Blanket, special for next week, per pair, 47c.

A 11-4 all cotton Blanket, special for next week, per pair, 75c.

A 12-4 all cotton Blanket, equal to any \$1.25 or \$1.35 Blanket in the state, for \$1.

Our entire line of Wool Blankets, all first grade; no job lots, mill ends, soiled nor damaged Blankets to show you; ours is an experienced Blanket buyer; he knows a blanket when he sees it. All \$4.50 and \$5 Blankets go on sale all next week, for \$3.85 per pair. All fresh and new.

All Lace Curtains that retail at \$1 per pair and up, will be sold for one week at the regular price, less 33 per cent. No fictitious values put on any of our goods to sell them, and no misrepresentation to sell goods.

Embroideries at special prices all next week.

One line Oxford Waists, special for next week, 28c.

Our entire line of Ladies' Wrappers, the \$1 value, sale price, 59c.

READY-TO-WEAR DEPT. One special line of Ladies' Skirts, the \$5 and \$6.50 values, sale price \$2.95.

All Fur Coats, all Fur Scarfs, in fact any piece of fur in the house, at just 40 per cent off from their regular value.

Our Coat sale of the last few days has been the talk of the town. We had a wonderful business in this department. We have another big assortment on the way for our great sale. We have no old wraps of any kind to show you; all this season's styles. We will not carry any wraps over to the next season, consequently the price goes on. All \$16.50, \$18, \$20, \$22.50 and \$25 wraps, during our great sale for only \$9.90.

Remnants From Our Own Stock at Greatly Reduced Prices.

A Special Discount of 10 Per Cent on all Haviland China.

A Special Discount of 10 Per Cent on all Fancy China.

R. T. GREGG & COMPANY.

TWO KILLED IN THE PANIC

and Two Others So Badly Injured
That They May Die,

A Mournful Message Received This Morning
by Wilbur Fisk and F. C. Whitley,
Cousins of the Victims.

It is not surprising that some one should hear news of the distressing character, now that dead and missing are identified or heard for in the grief-stricken city Chicago, and it came in the nature of a shock this morning, when the y of Wilbur Fisk was notified of death of two cousins and the fatal injury of two others.

The telegrams gave no particulars, merely announcing the death of Miss Francis Lehman and Lawrence McChurg, the latter a young boy, and the injury of Misses Metta and Amanda Lehman, who were struck by a falling beam. F. C. Whitley, who is also a cousin of those named, received a dispatch confirming the sad news. Mr. Fisk left for Chicago this morning.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Agnes Studor, of Ft. Wayne, is visiting her parents Mr. and J. J. Studor.

and Mrs. W. M. Melville, are in ago, where they, last night, attended the marriage of their niece, S. Woolweaver, of Wellsville, O., a guest of his cousin, Geo. G. is.

hn S. O'Connor, who has been in health for the past several months, today for Cambridge Springs, Pa., spend some time in recuperating. Frank Cassidy, the well known oil user accompanied him.

hn McNamara and son Harry, of Wayne, spent New Year's with his in. Gustave Heitzler and family, west Wayne street.

l. Riffe, of Cleveland, was the t of friends here today.

r. A. B. Davenport, the well known ran hotel man of Marion, O., was he city yesterday.

r. and Mrs. E. A. Bogart have as guest, Miss Margaret Burns, of scoville, O.

aries F. Daly, for many years lected with the passenger depart- t of the L. E. & W. and now chief stant general passenger agent of Lake Shore system, is the guest of Eaton family, of west High street.

Will Open a Music Studio.

he 4th of January, Miss Cox will

FLAMES

Threaten a Disaster in
New York.

Fire Breaks Out in the Mur-
ray Hill Hotel.

Guests Taken From Upper Floors
on the Fire Escapes—Three
Alarms Turned in to
Department.

New York, Jan. 1.—The fire alarms were turned in this afternoon for a threatening fire in the Murray Hill hotel. The fire is on the sixth and seventh floors and it is believed everybody in that part of the building escaped. Several persons were taken down on the fire escapes. It is believed that there was no loss of life. The fire started in the apartments of W. L. Jacques, the proprietor of the hotel, on the sixth floor. It was started by Mr. Jacques' two children knocking over a Christmas tree which ignited drapings in the room. The fire spread quickly to the 7th floor.

At 3:40, the fire was said to be spreading and the corridors of the hotel were filled with dense smoke. The guests were quieted for a time, but later became frightened and thronged the lower corridors carrying clothing and baggage preparatory to leaving the building at a moment's notice.

Danger Is Over.

At 3:50 the Murray Hill Hotel reported that the fire was no longer spreading, and that no one had been hurt.

AND THEN WHAT?

While fitting a stove pipe at his home on west Spring street, Monday evening, Mike Healy fell from a chair upon which he was standing, striking his hand on the point of a pair of scissors, breaking the blade and causing quite a painful wound.—St. Marys Argus.

WANTED MORE OF IT.

J. W. Moser and bride got a severe helling last Thursday night. Hercules powder was used so much that a couple of window glasses were broken. Some thought it was too bad, others say it was their own fault as the boys were very modest when they were told that they would not be invited into the house until they would make more noise. It was after that

when they got the powder from a neighbor who was not very far off.—German Settlement Correspondent, Bluffton News.

SAT ON A VOLCANO.

Cloyde Graham was coasting down the sawdust pile with matches in his trousers pocket and the friction set them off, burning a hole in his clothes and burning his leg to such an extent that he has been limping for a few days.—Waynesfield Chronicle.

RESUMED WORK.

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 1.—The National Rolling Mills of the U. S. Steel Corporation at McKeesport, resumed operations today, and the tube and pipe mills will start up on Sunday. The resumption will furnish employment to 8,000 men.

FRESH LOCAL NEWS

Will Be Found Upon Pages 2, 3, 6, and 7 of Today's Edition of the Times-Democrat.

UPON PAGES 2, 3, 6, AND 7 OF THIS EDITION OF THE TIMES-DEMOCRAT WILL BE FOUND A GREAT DEAL OF THE LOCAL NEWS OF TODAY. IT IS A SAFE PROPOSITION TO LOOK FOR LOCAL NEWS UPON EACH PAGE OF THE TIMES-DEMOCRAT, AS IT IS NOW MADE UP.

RAILROAD

Makes the Town One of Importance.

North Washington, a town located between Dunkirk and Ada, on the Pennsylvania railroad, has risen suddenly to be one of the most important stations in Hardin county. The great Pennsylvania railroad has decided to make the village the division point between the eastern and western divisions and as such it will soon grow to be a city.

North Washington owes a all its luck to the fact that it has the purest water of any town on the big railroad. Already the company has spent \$200,000 in building a coal and watering station and it has announced that a big repair shop would be moved there soon. North Washington will in all probabilities become the most important point on the Pennsylvania road in a few years.

THE MAYOR

Reports the Appointment of
Two New Firemen.

The mayor officially notified the city auditor last evening that he had appointed W. B. Wilcox and Frank Stein as regular firemen of the city's fire department.

THREE MEN IN DANGEROUS

Condition as a Result of Fire in
Their Homes Early This
Morning.

Newark, N. J., Jan. 1.—Three men are in the city hospital today in a precarious condition as the result of a fire in their home in Bergenese. John Toole and his two sons, both grown, were celebrating the advent of the new year last night, and did not retire till late. Shortly afterward flames were discovered in the house. When the fire was distinguished, the three men were found unconscious from the smoke in the bed room.

A FEW SETS LEFT

Which May Be Taken by
Those Who Want Them.

If there are any persons who were not at home when our canvassers were making deliveries of the kitchen utensils, and who still desire these very valuable articles, they can obtain their sets by calling for them at the Times-Democrat office. The persons who made the deliveries called at each house where a set of the ware was to be delivered, but in some instances found no one at home. We have a few extra sets with which to supply those who want them. Call early and take away the utensils before the stock is exhausted. The price is 93 cents.

That Throbbing Headache

Would quickly leave you, if you used Dr. King's New Life Pills. Thousands of sufferers have proved their matchless merit for Sick and Nervous Headaches. They make pure blood and build up your health. Only 25 cents, money back if not cured. Sold by H. F. Vorkamp, druggist.

MARKETS.

New York, Jan. 1.—Tightness in the money market with the year ending, and preparation for annual settlements has put a stop to speculation activity in stocks and has halted the advance in prices. Such light speculative liquidation as resulted has caused only small reactions in prices and the market has held quite firm. The great interests among banks and capitalists are believed to stand behind the market and their support is attributed to plans for flotation of new bonds after the first of the year and a desire to improve the January 1st showing of investment values. It is deemed probable also that there has been some speculative accumulation and bidding up of prices with a view of meeting January demands for stocks.

DEFINITELY LOCATED.

On Christmas afternoon while out called on the family of her brother, Ed. Haggard, Mrs. Alfred Linson fell on the ice spraining her lame lower limb.—New Hampshire Item in the Waynesfield Chronicle.

THE WISE MAN'S WAY!

From Saint Louis to the fertile agricultural districts of Oklahoma and Indian Territory.



Reduced rates—both Single and Round Trip—on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. Descriptive literature furnished upon application to PASSENGER TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT, Frisco System, St. Louis.

ERIE TRAIN 4.

Leaves Lima 4:33 p. m.
Arrives New York 3:23 p. m.
Pullman Sleepers, Coaches, Dining Car service.
Ticket Office, Phone 60.

Buffalo-Niagara Falls New Train.

Via Erie Railroad,
Leaves 11:03 p. m.
Sleepers, Coaches, Cafe Cars
Through.
TICKET OFFICE, Phone 60.

A HAPPY

New Year to All,

Is The
Sincere
Wish of

FELTZ BROS.
& COMPANY.

FIRES

Were "Banked" for the Night

And Firemen

Danced the Old Year Into History.

Fourteenth Annual Ball of Lima Lodge No. 184 B. of L. F.

Held in the Auditorium Last Night. Harry I. McGuire Takes a New Position in the Queen City.

The fourteenth annual ball of Lima Lodge No. 184, Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, held in the auditorium last night, was a very enjoyable and very successful affair. The attendance was exceptionally large and the decorations, programs and in fact, all of the details of the affair were on a more elaborate scale than at any previous event of the kind. A program of twenty-four dances was enjoyed, good music being furnished by Oscar Frier's dance orchestra. Mr. Finley officiated as prompter. The officers and committeemen of the lodge who were in charge of the arrangements for the ball were as follows:

Officers.
Master, Jas. F. Mullen, Vice Master, Harry Frye; Past Master, James O'Connor; Secretary, Ruben Murphy; Treasurer, Geo. L. Kirk; Collector, James Donahue; Conductor, Winfield Cox; Warden, Chas. Ershick, Chaplain, Geo. Kirk; Inner Guard, Wm. Herring; Outer Guard, Harry Knoop.
Committees.
Arrangement Committee—R. Murphy, chairman; A. M. Reese, J. Donahue, J. J. Laughlin.
Decoration Committee—F. More, chairman; Jas. O'Connor, R. M. Lane, Wm. Herring, C. Gamble and C. Towe.
Floor Committee—W. S. Cox, chief; J. F. Reed, G. L. Kirk, John German, Wm. Engle, J. F. Mullen, T. S. Teehan, N. Parkinson and Wm. Lane.
Reception Committee—V. Rydman, chief; H. Buswert, C. Richmond, T. B. Reese, M. S. Marchant, H. Ruhlen, D. H. Murphy, F. Smith, J. M. Matchette, Door Committee—H. Fellers, J. C. Neuer, and L. Frye.
Notes.
The person who took the soft Stetson hat in mistake last night at the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen's ball, will kindly return it to the Times-

Democrat office and receive his own Harry McGuire Advance.
Harry I. McGuire takes charge of the Rock Island Frisco passenger department here today as District Passenger Agent. He and the force under him will occupy the office on Fourth street in the Union Trust Building that has heretofore been used by the Rock Island people.
The freight department of the Rock Island-Frisco will occupy the office on Walnut street that has heretofore been used by the St. Louis and San Francisco Co.
Mr. McGuire, who is a very able passenger man, commenced railroad service with the Cincinnati Hamilton and Dayton road, at Richmond, Ind. Later he was Traveling Passenger Agent of the Wisconsin Central, with headquarters at Indianapolis. He left the Wisconsin Central to come to Cincinnati as City Passenger Agent of the Pennsylvania lines.
His next position with the C. H. D., at Lima, Ohio, as City Passenger and Ticket Agent. Five years ago, he left the C. H. D. to go with the St. Louis and San Francisco as Traveling Passenger Agent, with headquarters here. This position he held until today, when he assumed the duties of District Passenger Agent of the combined Rock Island and Frisco roads.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

COLLEGES

To Compete in Basket Ball Game.

Lima Students of Ohio Colleges to Meet Those Attending Beyond the State.

From a purely local standpoint, there will be one of the most interesting basket ball games at the Y. M. C. A. this afternoon that has ever occurred in the gymnasium. At four o'clock, two teams, made up distinctly of students attending Ohio colleges and those outside the state will test their strength and science, and as all are recognized players of ability, the contest should prove an interesting one.
Lou Landick, who has been one of Lima's star players, has fully recovered from the injury, which took him from the football field, and will again be seen on the floor. The lineup will be as follows:
Ohio Colleges—Lou Landick, Earl Swan, Walter Longworth, David Cable and Arthur Cross.
Other Colleges—Frank Mitchell, Fred Baxter, Tom McLaughlin, Warren McLaughlin, Leon Laney and Van Cleave Holmes.
Starts the circulation, expands the limbs, strengthens the heart, builds up the entire system; that's what Rocky Mountain Tea will do. 35c
For sale by H. F. Vorkamp, corner North and Main streets.

DEDICATED

The New Town Hall at West Cairo.

Decision of the Circuit Court Ended the Long-Drawn-Out Litigation.

The decision of the circuit court in the litigation extending the building of a town hall at West Cairo, was formally celebrated last night, by a public demonstration. The long postponed dedication exercises were held in the presence of an audience of two hundred or more and speeches were made by Daniel Harp's, Sila Long and Mayor S. A. Earnest. The court held that the money obtained for the building, and the purchase of the lot, which was sold to the town by the mayor then in office, was legal, and those who made the contention did not care to appeal to the higher court.

A TIMELY TOPIC.

At this season of coughs and colds it is well to know that Foley's Honey and Tar is the greatest throat and lung remedy. It cures quickly and prevents serious results from a cold. Sold by H. F. Vorkamp, corner Main and North streets.

NEW YEARS PARTY.

Last night twenty girls and boys gathered at the home of Charles Wollet, and about eight o'clock they got into a big sled, and drove to a friend's three miles east of town and there spent several hours in games and other amusements. After wishing their host and hostess good night and a "happy New Year," they started for their homes after midnight.

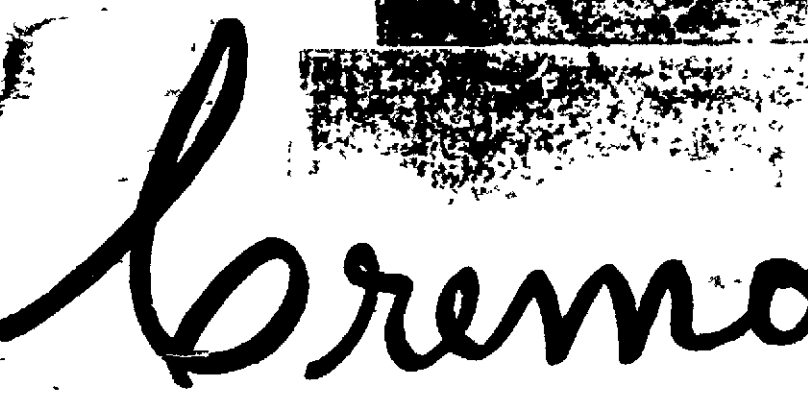
The following guests were present: Miss Inez Bedford, Helen Comer, Zoe Kink, La Dean Mathers, Bessie Lukes, Ida Grogg, Bessie Grogg, Ella Cotner, and Miss Bressler; Messrs. Earl Fitch, Barley Lukes, Marion Bressler, Zela Bedford, Sam Grogg, Murt Dickson and Clyde Bradford.

The out of town guest was Mr. Ray Greene, of Marion, Ind.

A Thousand Dollars Worth of Good.
"I have been afflicted with kidney and bladder trouble for years, passing gravel or stones with excruciating pain," says A. H. Thurns, a well known coal operator of Buffalo, Ohio. "I got no relief from medicines until I began taking Foley's Kidney Cure, then the result was surprising. A few doses started the brick dust like fine stones and now I have no pain across my kidneys and I feel like a new man. It has done me a \$1000 worth of good." Sold by H. F. Vorkamp, corner Main and North streets.

Encouragement.
Pupil (after repeated attempts)—Oh, I'm sure I never shall be able to!
Professor—Oh, yes, you will. I was just as big a donkey myself at first.—Punch.

To accept good advice is but to increase one's own ability.—Goethe.



Cremo

is a good 5 cent cigar.
If there was a better one
Cremo would not be
the largest seller in
the world

A WONDERFUL QUERN

HOW THE NORWEGIANS EXPLAIN WHY THE SEA IS SALT.

Magie Will That Ground Out Riches For the Poor Brother While It Frigthened the Rich One—The Sailor Who Made It Grind Salt.

There is an old fashioned Norwegian folk tale that accounts in a very curious way for the salt in the sea. According to the story, the waters of the ocean were not always salt. But long ago there were two brothers living away up in the northland. One was very rich, and the other was very poor. One brother had herds of cattle and flocks of fat mountain sheep, while the poor one had just about nothing at all except a wife and ever so many children.

One Christmas eve there was nothing in the house for them to eat, and the poor man's wife said to her husband, "If I had a rich brother, as you have, I would go and ask him for something for these poor children to eat. Tomorrow will be Christmas day, and there is not a crust of bread in the house."

So he went to his brother and told him how much they needed his help. The rich man gave him a nice slice of bacon and told him to go to an old magician who lived somewhere in the mountains. I do not know why he sent the poor man to the magician, for the latter did not bear a very good name in the neighborhood. However, when he came to the magician's stronghold everybody about the place wanted to buy his slice of bacon. He could not understand why it was, but he thought if there was so much demand for the bacon he would at least make the best bargain he could for it.

"Well," he said, "I ought by rights to take this bacon home to my good dame for our dinner tomorrow, but since you all seem to have set your hearts on it I suppose you must have it. If I sell it, however, I want a good price for it."

They offered him a good round sum, but that would not do.

"I will let you have it," he said, "if you will give me that quern yonder behind the door."

A quern is one of the things that it would be very hard to find nowadays, because they have gone out of fashion. A quern is a mill for grinding corn by hand, and it consists of two large stones, an upper and a lower one, the upper one having a handle by which it may be turned around on the lower stone, grinding the corn or grain between them.

The old magician at first laughed outright at the idea of any one thinking that he would part with his quern, but the owner of the bacon insisted that he would be satisfied with nothing less than that, so he finally got it.

When he reached his own door the clock was striking 12 and his wife was waiting for him, ready to scold him for staying so long.

"What in the world kept you so long?" she asked. "And what are we going to do with that old quern when we have no corn to grind?"

Then he told her of his trading the bacon for the quern. She was dreadfully put out about it and especially at the loss of the bacon.

"Just wait a minute," said her husband, "before you begin to complain, and see if I did not do right this time." And, putting the quern on the table, he told it to grind enough good things to make a first rate dinner for twelve hungry mouths. His wife could hardly believe her eyes as she stood there and watched the quern grinding out dainties enough to last a week.

The rich brother chanced to hear how well his poor brother's family was living, and when he came and saw what an elegant table they kept he was envious and wanted to know where they got the money to buy the things. For a long time they kept the secret of the old quern, but somehow it got out at last. They were so proud of it that they could not help telling all about it,

and the rich brother insisted on buying the quern. Finally they let him have it for \$300.

It kept on grinding for its new owner, but he was afraid of it, never feeling sure of what it would do next, so he made his brother take it back at the same price. The poor man was glad to get it back again, and it ground out untold riches for himself and his family. They had everything they desired, among other things a golden house to live in, and the people came from every land to see the magnificence of the family that owned the wonderful quern.

One day a stranger, an old seaman who had been all around the then known world, came to see the quern and wanted it to grind salt.

It is supposed that the owner of the quern was rich enough by this time, for he let it go for a moderate sum, and, fearing that he might repent of having sold it, the old sailor put to sea at once with his prize, anxious to know how it would work. When he had sailed so far out that no one could reach him, he said to the quern,

"Grind salt and grind both fast and good."

No sooner had he given the order than the quern began to grind heaps and heaps of salt all over the deck until the ship was ready to sink to the bottom of the sea. Scared half to death, the old sailor begged the quern to stop grinding salt. He got down on his knees to it.

But there was no use talking to it. It went on grinding, grinding, and soon the vessel went down with its weight of salt. And the quern still keeps on grinding in the depths of the ocean, and that is why the sea is salt.—Virginia McSherry.

It is a good plan occasionally to take your troubles to some one who will point out that you are to blame for having them.—Acheson Globe.

Ten thousand demons gnawing at one's vitals couldn't be much worse than the tortures of itching piles. Yet there's a cure. Doan's Ointment never fails.

Competition at State Fair.

In a review of the New York state fair American Agriculturist remarks: "A larger and more representative lot of farm products could be secured if premiums were awarded for county displays or individual grange displays from various sections. The exhibits this year in Ohio were immense. The credit was due largely to the fact that there was sharp competition between the different counties for prizes, ranging from \$100 for first down to \$40 for fifth."

Of the First Order.

Agriculture is a science of the very first order. It counts among its handmaids the most respectable sciences, such as chemistry, natural philosophy, mechanics, mathematics, natural history and botany.—Thomas Jefferson.

Boy's Life Saved From Membranous Croup.

"My little boy had a severe attack of membranous croup, and only got relief after taking Foley's Honey and Tar," says C. W. Lynch, a prominent citizen of Winchester, Ind. "He got relief after one dose and I feel that it saved the life of my boy." Don't be imposed upon by substitutes offered for Foley's Honey and Tar. Sold by H. F. Vorkamp, corner Main and North streets.

NOTICE TO TRUSTEES.

The trustees of R. A. Lodge, which meets in old Masonic hall, are requested to meet at place of business of John P. Deis, 241 south Main street, Saturday evening.

SKATING AT McCULLOUGH'S TONIGHT.

It is often difficult to get a bait which will attract rats into a trap, for these rodents are very wise and crafty, but we are told that there is one kind of bait which they never can resist, and will run any rat risk to obtain, and that is pumpkin seeds. Try this bait.

The Maine experiment station has determined by analysis that 10 cents' worth of common bread and milk contains more than twice the amount of nutriment than 10 cents' worth of any of the greatly advertised cereal food preparations. And, besides this, the bread and milk tastes better.

At this season of the year the "side hunt" is a very common feature of western so called sport. While this sort of hunting or sport might be permissible in a jack rabbit country, where these animals are pests, in the major portion of the country, where wild life is all too scarce anyway, such hunts are little short of barbarism.

Startling Evidence.

Fresh testimony in great quantity is constantly coming in, declaring Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds to be unequalled. A recent expression from T. J. McFarland, Bentonsville, Va., serves as example. He writes: "I had bronchitis for three years and doctored all the time without being benefited. When I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery, and a few bottles wholly cured me." Equally effective in curing all lung and throat troubles, consumption, pneumonia and grip. Guaranteed by H. F. Vorkamp, druggist. Trial bottles free, regular sizes 50c and \$1.00.

"Cure the cough and save the life." Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup cures coughs and colds, down to the very verge of consumption.

Customary Notice.

"Are the races coming to town?" "I don't know," answered young Mrs. Perkins. "My husband hasn't yet said anything about our having to economize."—Washington Star.

CASTORIA.

Beats the Signatures
The Kid You Have Always Bought

Every farmer has some one question touching his farm work which he would like to have answered by some man who is competent to answer it. Now, the right thing to do is to attend your county institute and just ask that question. You may thus be benefited yourself and a lot of your neighbors as well. Go and ask that question.

Continued experiments in the cold curing of cheese are showing remarkably satisfactory results, a very superior quality of cheese being thus obtained. It is now found that if such cheese is given a covering of paraffin there is a great saving in the shrinkage incident to the curing process. If better cheese was made there would be much more of it used.

Taint no use to sit down and whine. When no fish got tangled in your line, Bate your hook with a bumble bee. And keep on taking Rocky Mountain Tea.

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Time Table Effective Dec. 27, 1903	
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21 Chicago accommodation, Daily except Sunday, 8:42 a.m.	
3 N. Y. Chicago Ltd. Daily 11:35 a.m.	
13 Wells Fargo Express, Daily, except Monday, 4:29 p.m.	
37 Local Ex. Sun. Arrives 5:40 p.m.	
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8 N. Y. and Columbus, Daily, 3:57 a.m.	
22 Marion and Columbus, Daily except Sunday, 8:21 a.m.	
4 N. Y. and Boston Daily, 4:25 p.m.	
14 Wells Fargo Express, Daily, except Sunday, 9:32 p.m.	
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Head About to Burst From Severe Bilious Attack.

"I had a severe bilious attack and felt like my head was about to burst when I got hold of a free sample of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. I took a dose of them after supper and the next day felt like a new man and have been feeling happy ever since," says Mr. J. W. Smith of Jullin, Texas. For biliousness, stomach troubles and constipation these tablets have no equal. Price 25 cents. For sale by all druggists.

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ABSENCE OF REYES

From New Year's Reception at White House Is Held Significant.

Today, as One Year Ago, a New Republic Was Presented in the Line of Diplomats. Last Year It Was Cuba. Panama This.

Washington, Jan. 1.—President and Mrs. Roosevelt inaugurated today, the official social season in the nation's capital with a brilliant reception at the White House. For more than a hundred years it has been an unbroken custom of the president of the United States to receive on New Year's day the officials of the government located in Washington and such citizens as might care to pay their respects to the nation's chief magistrate. In addition to citizens of the United States, members of the diplomatic corps always embrace the opportunity personally to extend to the president their own good wishes and the greetings of their governments.

The reception of the president on New Year's day is thoroughly democratic. That of today was notably so. No distinctions of rank or class were made, except such as were rendered necessary by a due respect for order. All persons—rich or poor, with or without rank—were given a gracious greeting by the President and Mrs. Roosevelt.

The interior of the White House never was more beautiful than today. The mansion glowed with electric lights and floral decorations were disposed about the corridors and parlors. Royal palms, potted plants and exquisite cut flowers were arranged effectively in every available space. Great rectangular vases, braced to the edges with dwarf palms and holly, were placed between the main corridor and the vestibule, forming a fitting background for the gorgeous new uniforms of the marine band, which, sixty pieces strong, was seated in the vestibule.

In the red, blue and green parlors, the predominant decorations were vases of cut flowers, chiefly lilies of the valley, roses and flaming poinsettia blossoms.

For the children of the President and Mrs. Roosevelt, it was a memorable occasion. They were here, there, and everywhere, about the mansion, having always a merry word for their friends and deep interest in all the arrangements.

Eleven o'clock was the hour fixed for the beginning of the reception. For a half hour before that time, carriages containing members of the diplomatic corps rolled up to the southern entrance of the White House, the ambassadors, ministers and attaches of the embassies and legations assembling as usual in the red parlor. All were attired in magnificent costumes or handsome military or naval uniforms, and with sparkling epaulettes and glistening swords, presented a gorgeous spectacle. Among the representatives of the nation's of the world, it was noticed that there was one absentee. Colombia, one of this country's sister republics of the south, was not represented at the reception. In view of the present relations between the United States and the government of Colombia, the absence of a representative of the South American republic was noted instantly. Indeed, among some of the diplomats, it was regarded as significant. General Rafael Reyes, the minister of Colombia, in this country on a special mission did not attend the reception, lest it be understood, his presence at the White House might be misconstrued by the president. He, therefore had begged to be excused. Dr. Herran, the Colombian charge d'affaires, was detained at his residence by a bronchial affection.

Today, as a year ago, a new republic was represented for the first time in the line of diplomats. Last year it was Cuba; this, the Republic of Panama, M. Buncan-Varilla being the accredited minister of the infant state, who exchanged greetings with the president.

President Roosevelt, escorting Mrs. Roosevelt, descended the main stair case, and passed to the blue parlor, where the guests were received. They were followed by members of the cabinet and their accompanying ladies, and members of the immediate receiving party.

A notable absentee from the receiving line, was Secretary of State Hay, who is confined to his home because of illness. Mrs. Hay, however, was in the line. She remained only a short time, leaving early in order to receive at her own home, the members of the diplomatic corps, who were guests of the Secretary of State and Mrs. Hay at breakfast.

The members of the receiving party were arranged in the arc of a circle in the bow window of the blue room, the guests invited to assist in the reception facing them behind the line. The two sections of the receiving party were separated by a lane made of cordons of twisted velvet touched with old gold. Those received passed through this lane into the green room, and thence into the east room. The guests left the mansion by the east terrace.

Both the President and Mrs. Roosevelt were particularly gracious in the greeting of their callers. The president frequently joked with a friend, and Mrs. Roosevelt entered into the affair with evident enjoyment.

Arrived in the blue parlor, the President and Mrs. Roosevelt extended cordial greetings to the members of the cabinet and the ladies accompanying them, as well as to the members of other sections of the receiving party. The reception proper then began. The introductions were made by Col. Thomas W. Symons, the president's military aide, assisted by Commander C. M. Winslow, the president's naval aide, Maj. Chas. McAuley, Capt. J. W. Glidden, Lieut. Roscoe C. Bulmer, Lieut. G. R. Fortesque, Lieut. Clarence O. Sherr, and Lieut. David F. Sellers.

First to be received were the members of the diplomatic corps. All of the ambassadors and ministers were accompanied by their entire suites. As dean of the corps, Count Cassini, the Russian Ambassador, and master of the imperial court, occupied the position of honor at the head of the line. He was accompanied by his daughter, Countess Marquerite Cassini, and was attended by his entire staff.

Following the representative of the czar, in order were Senor Don Manuel De Azprou, the Mexican ambassador and staff; Baron Hengelmueller, the ambassador of Austria-Hungary, Baroness Hengelmueller and the embassy staff; Major J. Jussand, the French ambassador, Mme Jussand, and suites; Baron Speck Von Sternberg, the German ambassador, Baroness Von Sternberg, and the embassy staff; and Sir Henry Durand and the British ambassador, Lady Durand and the embassy staff. In the absence of

the Italian ambassador, Count DeCeleri, the charge d'affaires of the embassy, accompanied by his staff, represented the Italian government.

M. Jussand, Baron Sternberg and Sir Henry Durand made their first New Year's call at the White House as ambassadors. Baron Sternberg did not appear in court costume, but wore the uniform of a colonel of the second Saxon Hussars. It is of sky blue with silver braids and with it were worn the Tartar cap and Tartar boots. All members of the embassy staff, with one exception, were attired in military, rather than in diplomatic uniforms. Among those who were attending a New Year's reception at the White House for the first time, were Sir Chensung Liang Cheng, of China, attended by his staff attired in gorgeous oriental silks and satins; General Hernandez, of Venezuela, and M. Du Marthury, of Switzerland. In all, thirty-five countries of the world were represented at the reception.

Following the diplomatic corps, the members of the U. S. supreme court, headed by Chief Justice Fuller, were received by the President and Mrs. Roosevelt. The justices were accompanied by the ladies of their households. They were invited by the president to take positions with the receiving party. Judges of the U. S. court of claims of the district court of appeals, and of the supreme court of the district of Columbia, then were received. They were followed by former cabinet members and ex-ministers of the United States.

The reception was concluded at 2:15 o'clock when all citizens in line by that time having been offered an opportunity to greet the president. Mrs. Roosevelt and the ladies of the cabinet stood in the line until 2:10, when they were escorted by Major McAuley to the private apartments of the mansion.

During the last hour of the reception the president greeted his callers at the rate of fifty a minute. A pretty incident of the reception was the exchange of greetings between the president and Sir Henry Irving, who is playing an engagement this week at the National Theatre.

The distinguished tragedian was given a place in the line immediately facing the officers of the marine corps.

President Roosevelt recognized him instantly and gave him a cordial greeting. For several minutes the line was stopped while the president and Sir Henry chatted amiably. The president introduced him to Mrs. Roosevelt, and President Roosevelt then invited him to take a place behind the line among the receiving party. Sir Henry remained for nearly an hour, being shown pleasant attentions.

At the conclusion of the reception the president expressed his gratifications that it had passed off so delightfully. He was interested in the information that during the three hours and eleven minutes he had received 6,711 people, only a few hundred less than were received a year ago. He had given orders that the reception should continue until all in the line had been received, refusing to permit a time limit to be placed on the reception.

During the trying ordeal of shaking hands with nearly seven thousand people, the president was, in excellent spirits and cordially greeted some old friends after the reception.

GOULD'S GET RAILROAD.

LaCrosse, Wis., Jan. 1.—W. W. Carroll announced today that a sale of the Pine Bluff and Western R. R. to the Gould interests has gone into effect. The road runs from Pine Bluff to Benton, Ark.

FRESH LOCAL NEWS

Will Be Found Upon Pages 2, 3, 6, and 7 of Today's Edition of the Times-Democrat.

UPON PAGES 2, 3, 6, AND 7 OF THIS EDITION OF THE TIMES-DEMOCRAT WILL BE FOUND A GREAT DEAL OF THE LOCAL NEWS OF TODAY. IT IS A SAFE PROPOSITION TO LOOK FOR LOCAL NEWS UPON EACH PAGE OF THE TIMES-DEMOCRAT, AS IT IS NOW MADE UP.

NEW TERM

At Lima Business College Monday, Jan. 4th.

The college office in the Holmes block is open for the enrollment of students for the new term. Quite a large number have already made arrangements to enter Jan. 4. Those expecting to enter, and have not enrolled, will do us a favor by making arrangements as early as possible so that desks may be provided, etc. Evening school, \$5.00 a month. 9-3c Lima Business College.

SKATING AT McCULLOUGH'S TONIGHT.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

All are requested to meet at the Ben Hur lodge rooms tonight. Election of officers.

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A Year Well Begun.



We consider this new year of 1904 well begun because the conditions at this time are mutually advantageous—to our patrons and also to ourselves. Our customers have the advantage of benefitting themselves through the GREAT REDUCTION SALE BARGAINS now offered at this store; we are benefited by having this great stock cleared away so as to enable us to replace it with other merchandise when we take possession of our new home in the central building. Surely it would be difficult to find greater reasons for

A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Surprises From the Dress Goods Section.

Black or colored, plain or fancy, they all join the price cut procession. No stock in this store has been more prominent.

Zibelines \$1.00 and \$1.50 values, 54 inches wide at half.

Crash Dress Goods, \$1.00 value at 50c per yard.

Waistings and Corduroy all go at half price.

Lace Curtains Department.

Ruffled Curtains, \$1.00 to \$2.50 per pair, at half.

Bobinet Curtains at half, worth \$2.50 to \$3.00.

Nottingham Lace Curtains, small lots from one to three pairs each, run in value from \$1.00 to \$1.75 per pair, all go at half price.

One lot of Lace Curtains, splendid values worth \$2.50 and \$2.75 per pair for \$1.98.

A better lot of Curtains, not many of each but will be sold very cheap to close out.

\$10.00 Curtains for \$6.00.

8.00 Curtains for 5.00.

11.00 Curtains for 7.00.

8.00 Curtains for 6.00.

4.75 Curtains for 3.00.

A Big lot of Silkolines, our regular 12 1/2c quality, for 7c.

A great many bargains can be found on the second floor, so do not overlook this floor.

Perhaps You Are Interested in Silks.

If so, then this is emphatically your chance. You buy silks during this sale at the cost of production.

Silk Remnants at Half Price.

In white, creams, fancy and blacks.

Silks in waist patterns, and dress patterns all to be sold at remnant prices.

Men's Half Hose.

Fancy Cotton, 25c values for 15c.

Men's Balbriggan 25c values for 15c.

Ladies' colored fancy Hose, 25c, 38c and 50c values, for half.

A few children's brown Cotton Hose at half.

Children's heavy and light weight Hose 5c to 10c. Our regular 25c value for 15c.

Wash Goods.

Prints, Ginghams, Percale and in fact printed cottons of all sorts, at shelf-emptying prices.

32 inch Percale at 5c.

32 in Fancy Sateens at 5c.

10c Ginghams at 5c.

Waistings.

40c and 50c Waistings for 25c.

Wool Fascinators at Half Price.

Umbrellas.

One lot at half price.

Laces and Embroideries At Half Price.

Kid Gloves

Worth \$1.00 and \$1.50 for 69c per pair.

All Kinds of Women's Wear.

Such as waists, petticoats, odd lots of undermuslins. These have been put into bargain lots for a quick disposal, but suppose you read on.

One small lot of Silk Waists come in black, blue and pink, worth \$5.00 and \$6.00, reduced to \$2.50 and \$2.98.

One lot of Corsets at half and some even less.

Muslin Underwear

Gowns, Skirts, Corset Covers and Drawers at half.

A few Colored Silk Skirts at half

Men's Unlaundered Shirts at Half.

You will find special bargains in every department.

More Bargains for You.

These are not classified but they make mighty interesting reading, and very economical buying.

Eiderdowns, all colors, 27 inches wide, our regular 25c value for 19c.

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Men's Hose at Half and one-third less than regular price.

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